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URGENT MILITARY MOVES TAKEN IN THREE COUNTRIES Germans Concentrate In Rumania

STALIN'S ENVOY ACTIVE

A meeting between Hitler and M. Dekanosov, Soviet Ambassador to Berlin, is expected shortly according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Dagens Nyheter."

The Ambassador has already paid three visits to the Wilhelmstrasse this week, the correspondent says.

On one occasion he saw Ribbentrop and on the other visits he was received by Baron von Wislaeckir, Permanent Head of the German Foreign Office.

The correspondent adds that at the same time semi-official circles in Berlin continue to state that they have no knowledge of Russo-German negotiations resulting in a trade agreement. — Reuter.

U.S. SUBMARINE SEVEN HOURS OVERDUE

Three hundred and seventy-five feet below the surface on deep-diving trials, an American submarine with two officers and 31 men aboard, is seven hours overdue off the coast of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, stated the Navy Department in Washington yesterday.

It is recalled that the submarine is near the spot where the ill-fated "Squalus" met disaster two years ago. — Reuter.

Stiffening Soviet Attitude Reported By Tiflis Radio

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

WHILE OFFICIAL BRITISH CIRCLES STILL DEPRECATE THE ALARMING REPORTS WHICH CONTINUE TO POUR IN OF LOOMING GRAVE DEVELOPMENTS, MESSAGES RECEIVED IN LONDON FROM RUSSIA, RUMANIA AND FINLAND INDICATE BEYOND THE SHADOW OF A DOUBT THAT URGENT MILITARY MEASURES ARE BEING TAKEN IN ALL THREE COUNTRIES.

A report from Helsinki states that Finland has called up military reserves "for extraordinary manoeuvres to enable Finland to preserve her security and to strengthen preparations for defence," while a traveller who arrived in Helsinki from Russia yesterday reports that Soviet mobilisation is jamming the railroads between Leningrad and Moscow.

From Ankara comes a National Broadcasting Corporation report stating that all Rumanian shipping in the Black Sea has been cancelled.

The port of Constanza has been evacuated while the Rumanian army is almost completely mobilised, and the Germans are increasing their concentrations in the country.

Alarmist reports regarding the Russo-German situation continued to flood the British press and radio yesterday.

Evacuation Of Moscow?

THE "DAILY SKETCH" SAYS RUSSIA IS DEFIANT, AND QUOTES A TIFLIS BROADCAST DECLARING RUSSIA WILL MAKE NO FURTHER ATTEMPT TO APPEASE HITLER.

The "Daily Mail" says Swedish newspapers report Russia is evacuating children from Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev, and that more army reservists have been called up.

The "Daily Express" quotes a Moscow radio report that clashes "may have" broken out on the Bessarabian frontier.

Moscow radio also announced that civilian defence practice has been extended to the Ukraine and other provinces.

IT WAS RELIABLY LEARNED IN ISTANBUL YESTERDAY THAT ALL RUMANIAN BORDER ROADS HAVE BEEN CLOSED TO PRIVATE TRAFFIC.

ROOSEVELT'S TOUR OVER

Mr. James Roosevelt, President Roosevelt's son, who has completed his world tour, is leaving Lisbon by Clipper for the United States to-day. — Reuter.

U.S. CENSORING MAILS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The United States Army and Navy yesterday revealed that the first mail censorship since the last War has been imposed in post offices at the leased Atlantic bases. — International News Service.

BLITZ CHIEF GETS READY

Situated in a dense forest 15 miles from Bucharest at Snagov, country seat of Prince Nicholas of Rumania, Hitler's Balkans blitz chief, Field-Marshal List, Commander-in-Chief of the German armies in Rumania, has established his headquarters, Reuter learns from diplomatic sources in London.

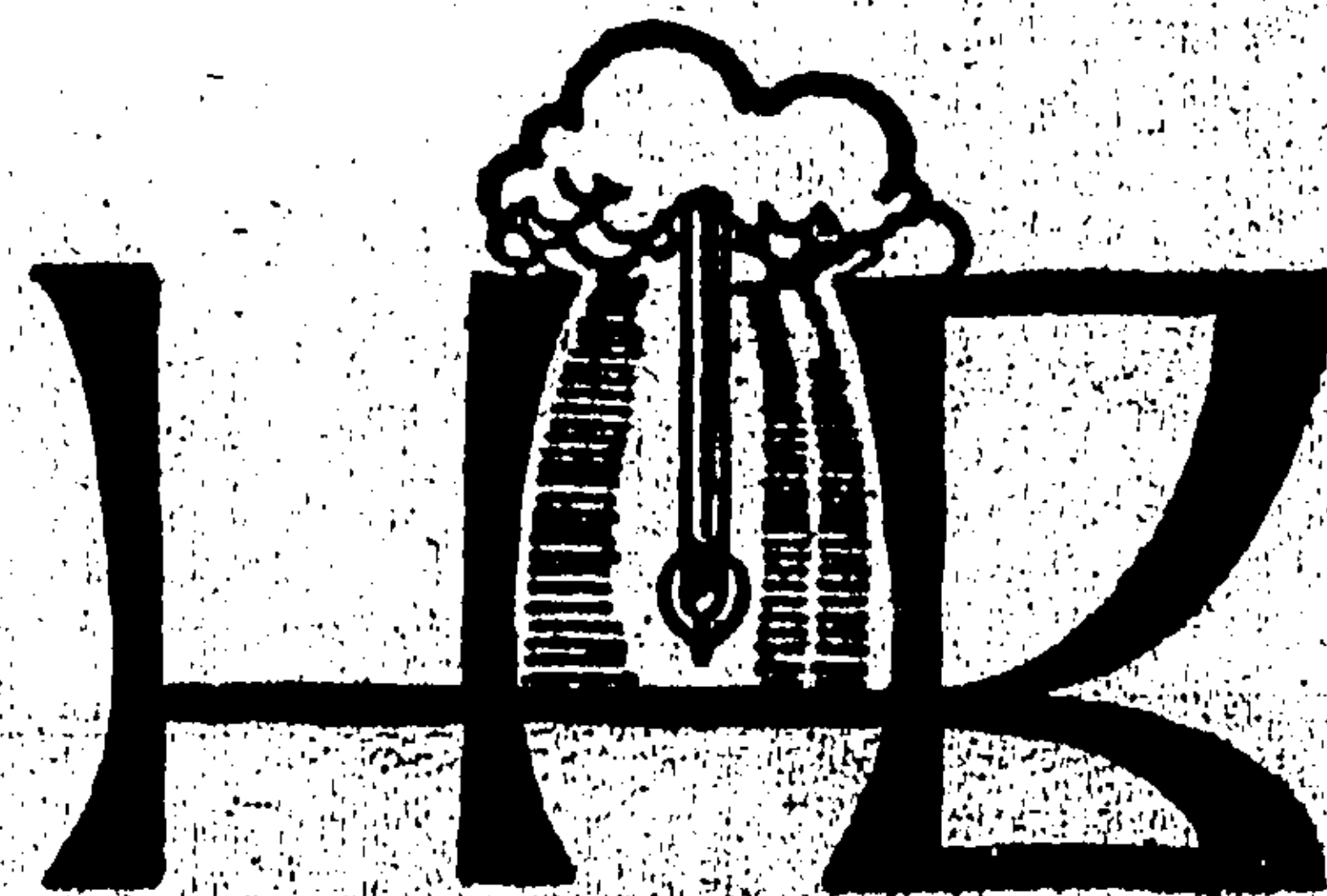
The staff of the Rumanian Army is attached to the German General Staff at this headquarters.

According to the same source large numbers of German troops continue to arrive in Rumania, and large quantities of bedding and materials have been collected in the regions of Galatz and Braila.

Hassy, capital of Moldavia, and Rumanian towns on the Soviet border, are being evacuated and fresh classes of Rumanian soldiers were called up on Wednesday.

Military marches and patriotic poems are broadcast all day on the Rumanian radio, while the press, according to this source, is making clear allusions to "forthcoming decisive events." — Reuter.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

GERMANY'S STRINGENT TERMS TO THE SOVIET

Invitation To Join The Axis?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IT WAS RELIABLY REPORTED IN ISTANBUL YESTERDAY THAT STALIN IS STUDYING A PERSONAL NOTE FROM HITLER INVITING RUSSIA TO JOIN THE AXIS AND SIGN A SWEEPING 40-YEAR ECONOMIC PACT WITH GERMANY.

Terms of the pact are said to be stringent, virtually placing all Russia under Nazi economic domination. The Hitler Note is reported to have pointed out that the Eastern situation at present demands immediate urgent decisions.

It is further reported that Hitler has proposed to Russia the beginning of conversations on the possibility of returning Bessarabia to Rumania.

It is said that Stalin and his colleagues are closely perusing the Note.

Hitler is said to have proposed the immediate extension of German roads into the Ukraine grain fields and the Batum oilfields, as well as a quasi-partnership under which Russia and Germany would jointly extract all resources from European Russia.

"Brotherhood Of Peace"

It is reported Hitler suggested that German industrial plants be transferred deep into Russia beyond the range of British bombers, and is believed to have offered to give Russia the benefit of German workers, machines and capital in developing Soviet resources.

Reciprocally, it is understood Hitler has promised a Russo-German "brotherhood of peace" and an opportunity for Russia to reap the "benefits" of full Axis co-operation.

Reliable circles in Istanbul say the Hitler Note was couched in friendly language and does not contain an ultimatum.

It is reported that Hitler supported his suggestion regarding Bessarabia with a reference to the Rumanian grain shortage.—International News Service.

SHANGHAI STRIKE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Curtailment of electric power in Shanghai, due to shortage of coal, has resulted in the first strike. Yesterday, workers in a silk factory quit their jobs as the management effected a reduction in their pay, blaming this on the curtailment of electric supply.—International News Service.

GERMANS STOPPED ON BORDER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SOME GERMANS, ATTEMPTING TO CROSS INTO RUSSIA, WERE STOPPED IN MANCHOULI, THE BORDER TOWN, ACCORDING TO ADVICES REACHING SHANGHAI YESTERDAY.

The Germans are believed to have been held back by instructions from Berlin, owing to the Nazi pressure now being exerted on Moscow.

In Shanghai, Soviet sources believe that Moscow has evacuated the Karelian Isthmus.—International News Service.

REFUSED WORK WITH OBJECTOR

A baker's roundsman told the Southend magistrates that because he refused to work with a conscientious objector his employers ordered him off the premises.

The man, Frederick Thomas Peel, Ambleside-drive, Southend, claimed £5 wages from the firm. "A week ago I lost eight relatives in an air raid," he said. "My father and mother were killed. Having passed my medical examination, I am waiting for my calling-up papers, and I was expected to show a conscientious objector how to make a living by teaching him my job." Peel was told that in law by disobeying his masters' order he had forfeited his right to wages. A member of the firm who discharged him agreed with a suggestion from the Bench that in all the circumstances and without prejudice he would pay one week's wages, £2 10s., to Peel.

GERMAN PANZERS ATTACKED

R.A.F. aircraft machine-gunned and destroyed a number of enemy motor transport vehicles during normal offensive patrols in the Western Desert, states an R.A.F. Middle East communique.

During the night of June 18/19 shipping in Benghazi harbour was bombed, harbour buildings being demolished by direct hits and a number of fires started.

Two pilots of a South African squadron who were reported missing on June 16 have rejoined their units.

Before being shot down in combat over British troops they destroyed one Messerschmidt 109, one Fiat fighter and two Junkers 87's.

The communique adds there is nothing to report from other fronts and all British aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

TAMERLAINE'S SKELETON UNCOVERED

The skeleton of the great 14th Century warrior, Tamerlaine, founder of a Central Asian Empire stretching from Syria to India, has been discovered in Samarkand in a burial monument, where the skeletons of his sons were also found in the past few days, it was revealed in Moscow yesterday.

The identity of Tamerlaine was proved by a foot injury mentioned by historians.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI DENS SHOW DEFIANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Literally thumbing their noses at the Chinese City Government authorities who three weeks ago closed down all gambling joints, four houses in Shanghai's western "bad-lands" area re-opened yesterday, apparently under the auspices of Nanking's Special Service Corps.

This corps perennially needs money, and is not likely to pass by the millions still available via gambling and its attendant vices, especially opium.

Commissioner Pan Dah, head of the recently organised Sino-Foreign Western District Police Force, declares that he has not been informed regarding the re-opening of old and new establishments, which attitude he regarded as an attempt to save face in view of last week's strong statements about cleaning-up the area.—International News Service.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN SYRIA

CONDITIONS IN LIBYA are now for the most part again stabilised, with the Germans not making any attempt to follow up the Allied withdrawal to the original positions.

Dust storms are raging in the Tobruk and Sollum areas, and attention accordingly is focussed on the Syrian front whence came reports of fighting of various degrees of intensity all along the line.

As was thought likely, the Australians' steady advance along the coast road from Sidon towards Beirut is now meeting determined Vichy resistance, for the most part believed to be in the region of the village of Damour, only a short distance from Beirut.

The position in the vicinity of Damascus is largely unchanged though the British and Indian troops, despite stiff opposition, succeeded in gaining fresh ground.

DETERMINED COUNTER-ATTACK

Fighting is continuing on all sectors in Syria and in the coastal sector Australian troops are slowly advancing in the face of stiff resistance.

Announcing this, yesterday's communique from British G.H.Q. Middle East, says that south of Damascus, Free French forces met a determined counter-attack by numerically superior Vichy forces. British and Indian troops in

this area have made a further local advance.

Heavy Fighting

The situation at Merj Ayooun has not yet been fully cleared up and heavy fighting is in progress.

In other areas local advances have been made in spite of the continued resistance of Vichy troops.

Allied troops advancing towards Beirut are meeting a great deal of machine-gun fire from the north of Wadi Zeini. The Vichy artillery is shelling various sectors of the Allied lines.—Reuter.

BLENHEIM PILOT GETS A DUCKING

HOW A COASTAL Command Blenheim aircraft scored direct hits on a supply ship and came safely home after the plane had hit the sea, was related by the pilot yesterday.

The attack was made on Thursday evening in the English Channel, and the pilot said the supply ship was protected by three anti-aircraft vessels and a destroyer, which put up strong and accurate fire.

Despite this the Blenheim came right over the ship and released its bombs, scoring two direct hits and sinking the ship.

Heavy Bump

The pilot took violent avoiding action after coming only 50 feet above the stern of the vessel.

"We hit the sea with a heavy bump. Showers of water went all over us and a bit of a hole was made in the engine, but we managed to fly back on the other."

"As the speed indicator was broken we made a belly landing but came off happily and none was hurt."—Reuter.

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Bitter Roosevelt Attack On Nazi Government's Policy

United States Will Not Yield Use Of High Seas

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT LAST NIGHT DECLARED THAT THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT PROPOSE TO YIELD THE USE OF THE HIGH SEAS TO GERMANY; IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, WHICH PERMITTED STRONGER LANGUAGE THAN A FORMAL DIPLOMATIC NOTE, HE DESCRIBED THE SINKING OF THE AMERICAN FREIGHTER "ROBIN MOOR" AS RUTHLESS AND THE ACT OF AN "INTERNATIONAL OUTLAW."

He stated without qualification that the vessel was sunk by a German submarine, and that the general purpose of the sinking "would appear to be to drive American commerce from the ocean wherever such commerce was considered a disadvantage to German designs."

Its specific purpose, he declared, "would appear to be the interruption of our trade with all friendly countries."

"We must take it that notice has been served us that no American ship or cargo on any of the seven seas can consider itself immune from acts of piracy."

"Notice is served on us in effect that the German Reich proposes so to intimidate the United States that we would be dissuaded from carrying out our chosen policy of helping Britain to survive."

"In brief, we must take the sinking of the 'Robin Moor' as a warning to the United States not to resist the Nazi movement of world conquest. It is a warning that the United States may use the high seas of the world only with Nazi consent."

"WERE WE TO YIELD TO THIS WE WOULD INEVITABLY SUBMIT TO WORLD DOMINATION AT THE HANDS OF THE PRESENT LEADERS OF THE GERMAN REICH. WE ARE NOT YIELDING AND WE DO NOT PROPOSE TO YIELD."

President Roosevelt proposed no line of action or retaliation to Congress. Apparently he chose the vehicle of a special message so that he could couch his protest in the most forceful language at his command.

No Disclosure

Nor was there any disclosure of what steps the Government might be contemplating to protect American merchantmen on the high seas.

It is, in fact, doubtful whether any information would be given on this point in order not to tip off Germany as to what to expect either in the field of arming cargo ships or of using the Navy to protect them.

President Roosevelt told Congress the "Robin Moor" was sunk without provision for the safety of the passengers and crew, despite the fact that its American nationality was known to the submarine commander and clearly indicated by the flag and markings.

The submarine commander, he said, did not display the submarine's flag and did not announce its nationality.

A Flagrant Violation

The sinking of the "Robin Moor," the President continued, flagrantly violated the right of United States vessels freely to

navigate the seas subject only to belligerent right accepted under international law.

"This belligerent right, as known to the German Government," he said, "does not include the right deliberately to sink a merchant vessel, leaving passengers and crew at the mercy of the elements."

"On the contrary, belligerent law requires that passengers and crew should be placed in safety. This chance of rescue does not lessen the brutality of casting boats adrift in mid-ocean."

"The total disregard shown for the most elementary principles of international law and humanity brand the sinking of the 'Robin Moor' as the act of an international outlaw."

Reparation Expected

"The Government of the United States holds Germany responsible for the outrageous and indefensible sinking of the 'Robin Moor.' Full reparation for losses and damages suffered by American nationals will be expected from the German Government."

President Roosevelt continued: "The passengers and crew of the 'Robin Moor' were left afloat in small lifeboats from approximately two to three weeks, when they were accidentally discovered and rescued by friendly vessels."

"Our Government believes freedom from cruelty and inhuman treatment is a natural right. It is not a grace, to be given or withheld at will, by those temporarily in a position to exert force over defenceless people."

"Were this incident capable of being regarded apart from the more general background of the implications, it might be less serious—but it must be interpreted in the light of the declared and actively pursued frightfulness and intimidation which has been used by the German Reich as an instrument of international policy."

Intimidation Tactics

"This Government can only assume that the Government of the German Reich hopes, through the commission of such infamous acts of cruelty to helpless and innocent men, women and children, to intimidate the United States and other nations into a course of non-resistance to German plans for universal conquest—a conquest based on lawlessness and terror on land and piracy at sea."

"Such methods are fully in keeping with the methods of ter-

NATION TOLD U.S. IS AT WAR WITH GERMANY

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Washington)
THE FIRST REACTIONS in Washington to President Roosevelt's message to Congress on the "Robin Moor" are that in no statement on policy in a fireside chat has President Roosevelt attacked Germany and her methods so bitterly as he did in this.

The most important part of the speech appeared to be that stating that American ships will be subjected to acts of piracy in any of the Seven Seas.

terrorism hitherto employed by the present leaders of the German Reich.

"It may, however, be assured that the United States will neither be intimidated nor will it acquiesce in the plans for world domination which the present leaders of Germany may have."

Step In A Campaign

"WE ARE WARRANTED, IN CONSIDERING WHETHER THE CASE OF THE 'ROBIN MOOR' IS NOT A STEP IN A CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE UNITED STATES ANALOGOUS TO THE CAMPAIGNS AGAINST OTHER NATIONS."

"We cannot place reliance on official German declarations. To the contrary."

"Like statements, declarations and even solemn promises, have been forthcoming in respect of many nations, commencing with the statement that the Government of the Reich considered its territorial aspirations satisfied when it seized Austria by force."

"Evidence that the Government of the Reich continues to plan further conquest and domination is convincing and indeed scarpely disputed."

Disclosure Of Policy

"Viewed in the light of the circumstances, the sinking of the 'Robin Moor' becomes a disclosure of policy as well as an example of method."

"Heretofore lawless acts of violence have been preludes to the scheme of land conquest. This one appears to be a first step in the assertion of the supreme purpose of the German Reich, to seize control of the high seas, conquest of Great Britain being an indispensable part of that seizure."—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND PRIME MINISTER IN ENGLAND

The New Zealand Premier, Mr. Peter Fraser, arrived in England by air yesterday.

He has come at the invitation of the British Government to discuss various aspects of the war situation and during his visit he will attend meetings of the War Cabinet.—Reuter.

MR. FORD COMES TO HEEL

It was announced in Washington yesterday that the Ford Motor Co. has signed a contract with the United Automobile Workers Union providing for a Trade Union shop.

The Union is affiliated to the Committee for Industrial Organization. Announcement of the historic agreement, first contract with a Union ever entered into by the Ford Co., was made jointly by Mr. Philip Murray, representing the C.I.O., and officials of the Ford Co.

The contract is said to cover approximately 120,000 workers. Simultaneously the National Labour Relations Board disclosed that an agreement had been completed for settlement of all outstanding Labour Board cases involving the Ford Co.—Reuter.

STRANGE ACTION OF JAPANESE

There were also Japanese nationals among the several thousand aliens who applied for naturalisation as Thailanders following the recent exclusion of foreigners from certain areas in Thailand, stated the Bangkok newspaper, "Sieng Thai" yesterday.

The paper declared that this is rather strange.

The Japanese, who consider their nationality far superior to any other, have changed their way of thinking.

This may be due to the fact that at present Japan and Thailand are so closely related that the Japanese have been led to consider it the same thing to be a Thailander or to be a Japanese.—Reuter.

FRENCH STEAMER HALTED

THE FRENCH STEAMER COMPAGNE WAS INTERCEPTED ON THURSDAY NIGHT BY A DUTCH WARSHIP IN SUNDRA STRAITS. IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED IN BATAVIA YESTERDAY.

The steamer was en route from Marseilles to Saigon.

As the captain refused to co-operate the Compagne was taken into the harbour of Tandjong Priok where a German passenger was removed for internment.

The Compagne was then permitted to continue her voyage.—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET QUIET

Business was quiet on the London Stock Exchange yesterday but generally a firm tendency was maintained. Gilt-edged securities and home rails were firmly held around previous levels while industrials tended upward. Anglo-Iranian and Anglo-Egyptian were a shade easier at the close. Foreigners were supported, especially Brazilians, with Egyptians and Japanese also higher. Wall Street was steady and quiet.—Reuter.

This seemed to be another method of telling Congress and the country that Germany is at war with the United States, at least at sea.

Qualified observers feel the message to be one of the highest importance in developing American policy and education of the American people, which will prepare them for the final plunge which almost everyone now expects.

Sting In Tail

Because of the knowledge that neither words nor protests are likely to prevent a repetition of any act Germany wishes to take, it is believed in Washington that there is more sting in the tail of the message than no reliance can be placed on official German declarations.

Naturally a formal vigorous protest will be duly delivered to Berlin but it is not expected that the next United States step will hang upon the German reply.

The first guess in Washington is that American merchantmen may soon be armed.—Reuter.

JUST AN EXAMPLE

FOURTEEN SERBIANS HAVE BEEN EXECUTED NEAR KOMAR, IN THE TRAVNIK DISTRICT OF YUGOSLAVIA, ACCORDING TO A ZAGREB MESSAGE TO THE OFFICIAL ITALIAN NEWS AGENCY.

They were accused of having ambushed an outacht (terrorist organisation) food convoy.

Although none of the outachts were wounded, it was stated this "severe measure" had been taken by way of example, and if a similar incident occurred in future, even heavier punishment would be inflicted.

"For every outacht killed 100 Serbians will be shot."—Reuter.

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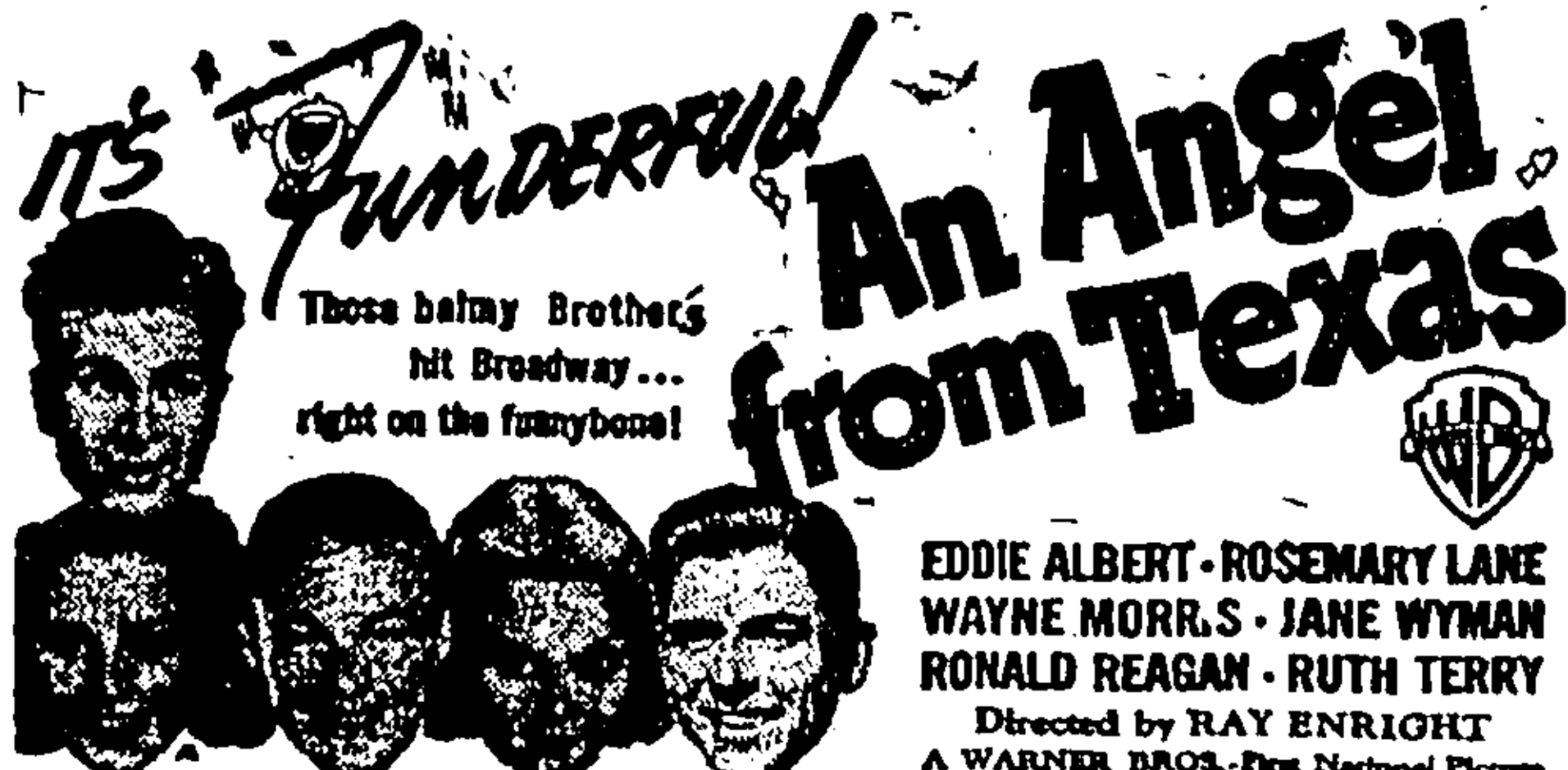
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AN ULTIMATUM

MICHAEL REDGRAVE, the stage and film star, and more than a dozen other well-known actors, actresses, producers and musicians have been informed by the B.B.C. that unless they state in writing that they withdraw their support of the People's Convention they will not be allowed to broadcast again.

They were given a week in which to think it over. The facts have been reported to Equity and the Musicians' Union and will be raised in Parliament.

A special committee of which Beatrix Lehman, the actress, and Walter Hudd, who is now playing in "Thunder Rock" at the St. Martin's Theatre, are members, has been set up by the National Council for Civil Liberties to fight the ban.

look I should not be employed by the B.B.C. again. This is a matter of principle which must be fought out."

Lew Stone, the dance band leader, has received a similar demand.

"None Of Your
Business"

Mr. Redgrave told the "News Chronicle" that a week ago he received a letter from the B.B.C. asking him to call to discuss an important matter.

"I was interviewed by a B.B.C. solicitor and an executive," he said. "They told me that the Governors of the B.B.C. had decided that those who supported the People's Convention should not be employed."

"They asked me if I would write a letter to the organisers of the Convention withdrawing my support and send a copy to the B.B.C. I replied that my personal views were none of their business and that I did not propose to discuss the matter any further. Of course, I declined to write any such letter."

"I asked them directly if this meant that I should not receive another B.B.C. contract, and they replied that this was so."

Anti-Ban Committee

"I reminded them that I was broadcasting on the following Sunday and they said this would be in order. I hope my singing last night didn't do the country any harm. I shall support the committee which has been formed to fight this ban."

"I believe about 15 people, all well-known broadcasters, are affected," Miss Beatrix Lehman told the "News Chronicle" last night.

"I haven't been called to see the B.B.C. because I am not under contract, but I presume that as I support the People's Convention I shall not be allowed to broadcast again."

Mr. Arnold Goldsbrough, former organist at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and Mr. Phil Cardew, well known for his work in connection with B.B.C. musical shows, were also called to the B.B.C. and invited to take similar action.

Yesterday they made the following statement to the "News Chronicle."

"This is a matter of vital principle. We haven't the slightest intention of renouncing our views under the threat of being deprived of B.B.C. work. They are no concern of the B.B.C."

"Political Blackmail"

"To accept this position means that we accept the proposition that every person should renounce his private views if they do not coincide with the B.B.C. official view before being allowed to broadcast."

Andre Van Gysegem, one of the country's most brilliant producers, saw the B.B.C. officials in London.

"I was asked if I would write a letter withdrawing my support of the People's Convention," he told the "News Chronicle." "I replied that I did not submit to political blackmail and that I would not do anything of the kind."

"I was told, very politely, that I was not being threatened, but that if I did not alter my out-

Policy Of The B.B.C.

When asked if the B.B.C. wished to comment on these interviews an official replied: "The policy of the B.B.C. is not to invite any person to the microphone whose views are opposed to the national war effort."

"Our policy has not changed since it was stated that Sir Hugh Robertson (the pacifist) would not be allowed to conduct in a B.B.C. programme."

TEACHERS
OBJECT TO
FIRE DUTY

Miss A. A. Kenyon, moving a resolution at the conference of the National Union of Women Teachers at York demanding that the fire watching of schools should be incorporated in the general scheme, complained that teachers were being drawn in "by the back stairs" to fire watch at their schools.

"Many teachers are doing the work," she said, "because it is being presented to them in such a way that they feel that if they refuse they will be victimised."

Miss S. M. Burls said that a teacher who did fire watching at night was not fit to teach children next morning.

Miss F. M. Brooks, of Leeds, said that in some cases senior children had been asked to do fire watching.

COLONEL
"SHOWEROED"
CHEQUES

The King has commuted a sentence of cashiering to one of dismissal from the Army in the case of Lieut.-Colonel Frank Kennedy Couper (43), of the Royal Armoured Corps, who was found guilty by general court-martial of three charges of scandalous conduct and 10 charges of indecent conduct all relating to dishonoured cheques.

It was alleged at the trial that Colonel Couper "showeroed" cheques knowing that there was no possibility that they would be met.

BLAST
TEST
RECORDS
LOST

The chapel of the London Chest Hospital, Victoria Park, E., stoutly built of stone and brick, prevented the loss of many lives during a raid by taking the main shock of one of the largest bombs which has fallen in London. It shielded the hospital from the full force of the explosion.

Greater damage was done than any other hospital in the country has had in a single night's raid. But 85 patients and 76 nurses, doctors and other members of the staff all escaped and even without serious injury.

So badly was the large north wing shattered that it will have to be demolished. The nurses' home was badly damaged by blast, and the fine, modern surgical and X-ray department, opened by Queen Mary in 1937, suffered seriously.

Loss To Medicine

The pathological laboratories were completely destroyed, a serious loss to the hospital and to medicine.

Invaluable apparatus and records of the study of respiratory disease for the past 80 years, including investigations made during the present war of the effects of bomb-blast on the lungs, are lost beneath a mass of rain-sodden rubble and wreckage.

Despite the havoc, the hospital was reopened for out-patients within nine days. Soon many of the wards will be in use again. The staff keep as a souvenir the great metal base of the bomb which wrecked the hospital. Several of them have been recommended for awards for courage in rescue operations.

Provincial Damage

It may now be stated that the following places were damaged in recent raids:

Birmingham: Prince of Wales Theatre; St. Martin's Church. Coventry: Coventry and Warwick Hospital; St. Mary's Hall. Christchurch: Henry VIII. School.

The Duchess of Gloucester, wearing the uniform of Deputy Commandant-in-Chief of the Order of St. John, toured the bombed area of Coventry, accompanied by the Mayor, Ald. J. A. Moseley, and the Regional Commissioner, the Earl of Dudley. Afterwards she went to the cemetery and placed a basket of flowers on the communal grave of the air raid victims.

A memorial service was held in the bomb-damaged Holy Trinity Church, Coventry, for members of the staff and patients at a Coventry hospital who were victims of the raids.

The Rev. A. P. Wales, a chaplain at the hospital, referring to the heroism of the staff, said that some nurses lost their lives and others were seriously injured when sheltering little children with their own bodies.

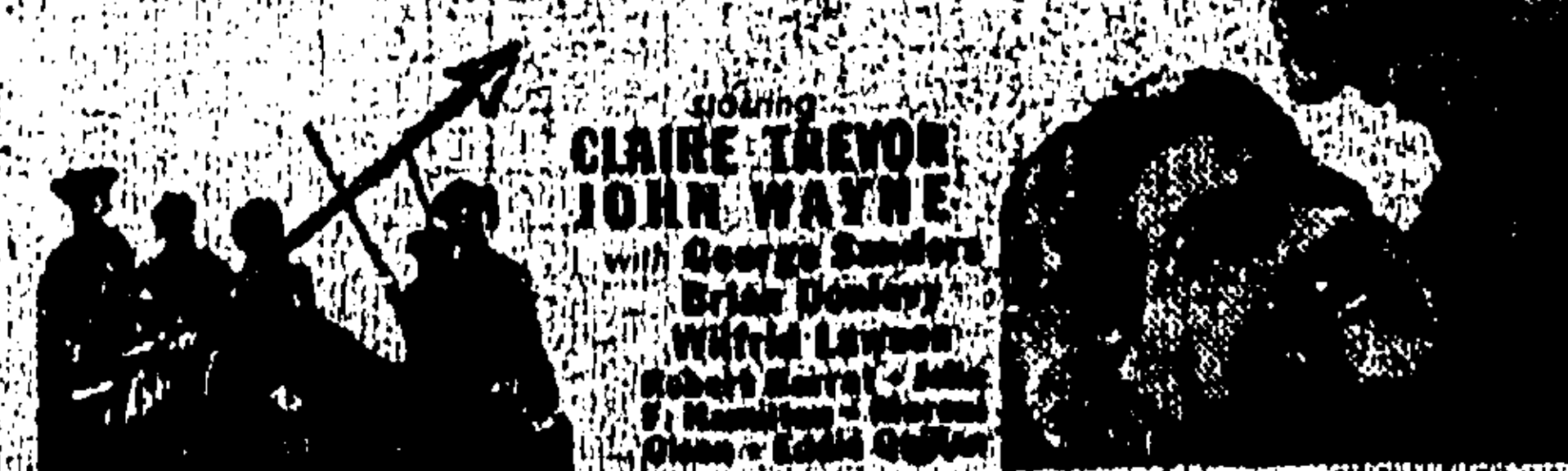
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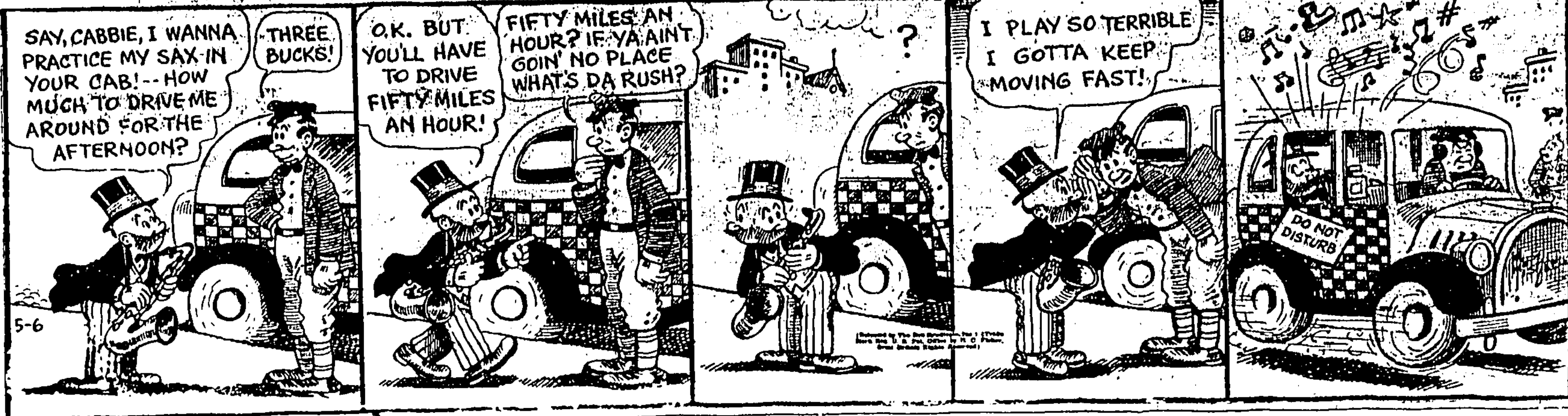
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KILLED BY 'PLANE ON ROAD

At an inquest held in a rural district, the North Cumberland coroner, Col. F. W. Halton, found that Francis Jacob Bull, 61, a London commercial traveller, and his wife, Clara, 60, of Somerset Road, New Barnet, were accidentally killed by an aeroplane while walking on the highway.

It was stated that they were caught by the wing of a plane which was making a forced landing.

The pilot, a Polish officer, said that his machine developed engine trouble. He tried to descend in a field, but there was a cross wind and the machine drifted on to the road.

"I did not see the two pedestrians until the last moment," he said. "I tried very hard to pass by them, but I could not avoid them."

HE NAMED HIS FASCIST KILLERS

Italian anti-Fascist newspaper proprietor John Arena named his assassins a few hours before being executed by Fascist secret police in Chicago, cables John Walters from New York.

He told the Dies Committee investigator that his death had

WORK REFUSAL APPEAL FAILS

An appeal by Joseph Charles Ladbroke, carpenter, Riviera-drive, Southend, against sentence of one month's imprisonment for neglecting to work, making his wife and child chargeable to public funds, was dismissed by the Recorder of Southend, Mr. J. Flowers.

The Recorder said that he could not imagine anything more discreditable at the present time than a skilled man refusing to work at a big wage only 18 miles from his home and expecting his wife and family to be supported by public money.

He regretted that the justices were not empowered to pass a longer sentence than they did.

It was stated that Ladbroke was offered work at Purfleet at 2s 4d an hour, which was 9d above the standard rate for the area. He refused because the firm would not pay his fare.

Ladbroke declared that he was a "slave under the dictates of the Minister of Labour" and that it was illegal to force a man to work outside his district.

been ordered by a prominent New York business man who is the "Tsar" of the Fascist spy system in U.S.A.

CORRESPONDENCE

COOKED FOOD AND HAWKERS

Sir,—Arising from the discussion at the Urban Council Meeting, it is evident that Government is adopting the usual "big stick" principle for what can be settled in a manner satisfactory to all parties and that without undue hardship on the hawkers and their customers or danger to the community.

It should be within the province of the Health Authorities to devise stalls which can be fool-proof and fly-proof, at one and the same time, complying with all necessary hygienic requirements, the same being "let" to the vendors of cooked foods at a nominal rental and open to helpful inspection at any time. Such a plan would eliminate the "squeeze" incident upon hawking.

Health Officials of one class or another are legion and inspection of stalls would not prove an arduous task nor add materially to their duties.

The stalls so planned can be of two types, one fixed, that is confined to certain streets, the other of lighter make and capable of being easily carried round definite areas.

The essential in the cleansing of bowls and chopsticks is not so much a question of "boiling" water as the use of Chlorinated Water with which each stall must provide itself, together with a small amount of chlorinated lime which can be added from time to time, if and when necessary, or when the cleansing water needs renewal. In the interests of the health of the city this chemical is an absolute necessity and should be supplied in small quantities free to the hawkers of cooked food.

The properties and potency of chlorine and chlorinated water as germicides are so well appreciated and utilised by the Army Health Authorities, especially when troops are on the move and water supplies are suspect, that there is no need to expatiate on this phase of the subject further, and infection from polluted water becomes a bogey brought to the forefront to scare a credulous public.

It is the writer's belief that a more generous use of chlorinated lime in the cleansing of Hong Kong would do more to eradicate cholera than inoculation which in any case is potent only for a comparatively short period.

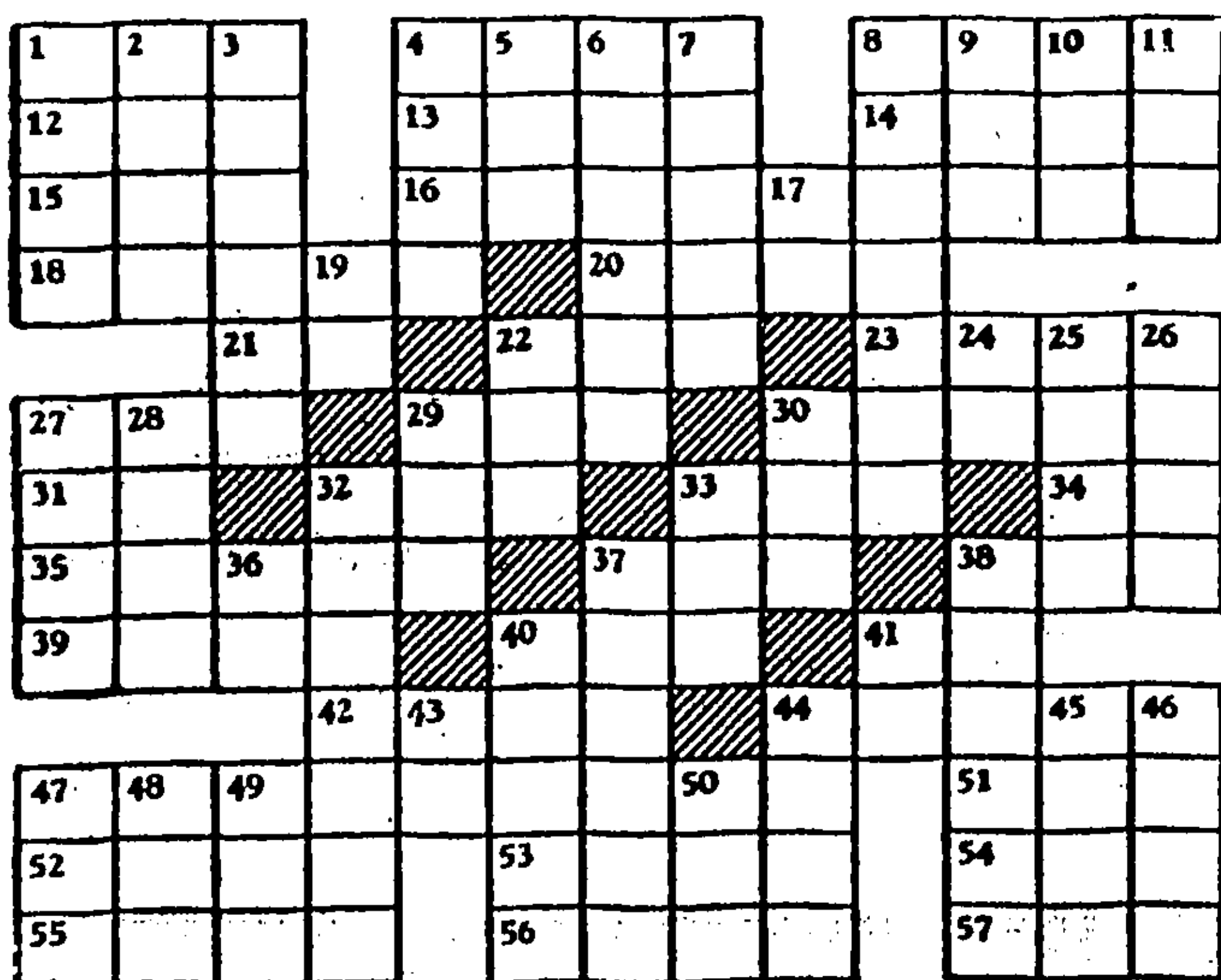
The Water Authority is reputed to supply drinking water which has been chlorinated, following filtration at the source of distribution, so that the amount of chlorinated lime to be added at the stall would be of an infinitesimal amount when compared with the volume of water used.

If Government will not act as suggested, and it is difficult to visualise officialdom acting on suggestions from without, then it is up to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to assist a deserving section of the community to earn an honest livelihood, and their clients a cheap and wholesome meal.

A little helpful sympathy will be more productive of fruitful co-operation than any form of coercion.

IP KWAI CHUNG.

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HORIZONTAL

- 1 Worm
- 4 Sinks
- 8 Game played on horse-back
- 12 Rodent
- 13 Italian coin
- 14 Arabian seaport
- 15 Wing
- 16 To describe in detail
- 18 To scatter
- 20 Confined
- 21 Sun god
- 22 Hindu weight
- 23 Peruvian Indian
- 27 Salary
- 29 Enclave
- 30 Pile
- 31 Article
- 32 Except
- 33 Ship's record
- 34 Note of scale
- 35 Winds spirally
- 37 Uncooked
- 38 Obese
- 39 Former English Queen
- 40 Possessed

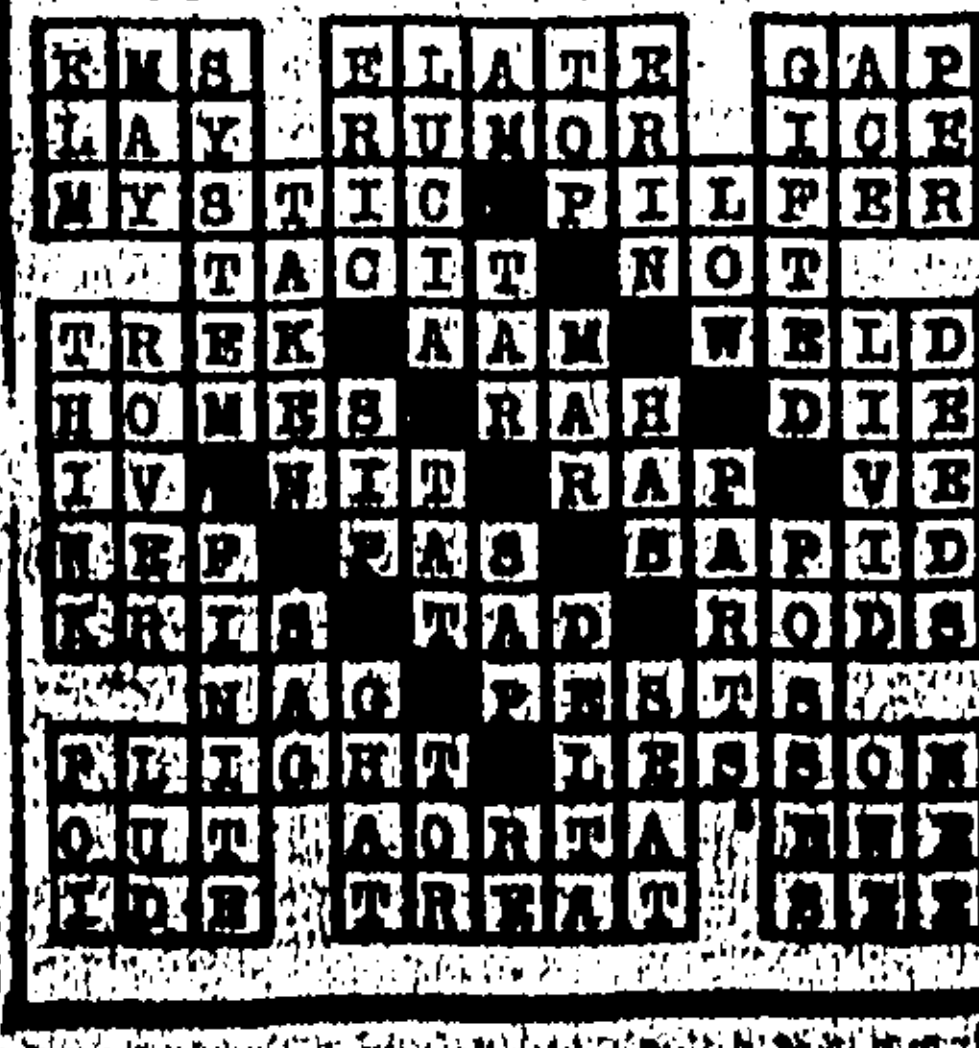
VERTICAL

- 1 Epochs
- 2 Seasoning
- 3 Astral
- 4 Killed
- 5 To trouble
- 6 Fruits
- 7 Cavalryman's sword
- 8 Separation

9 Room in a

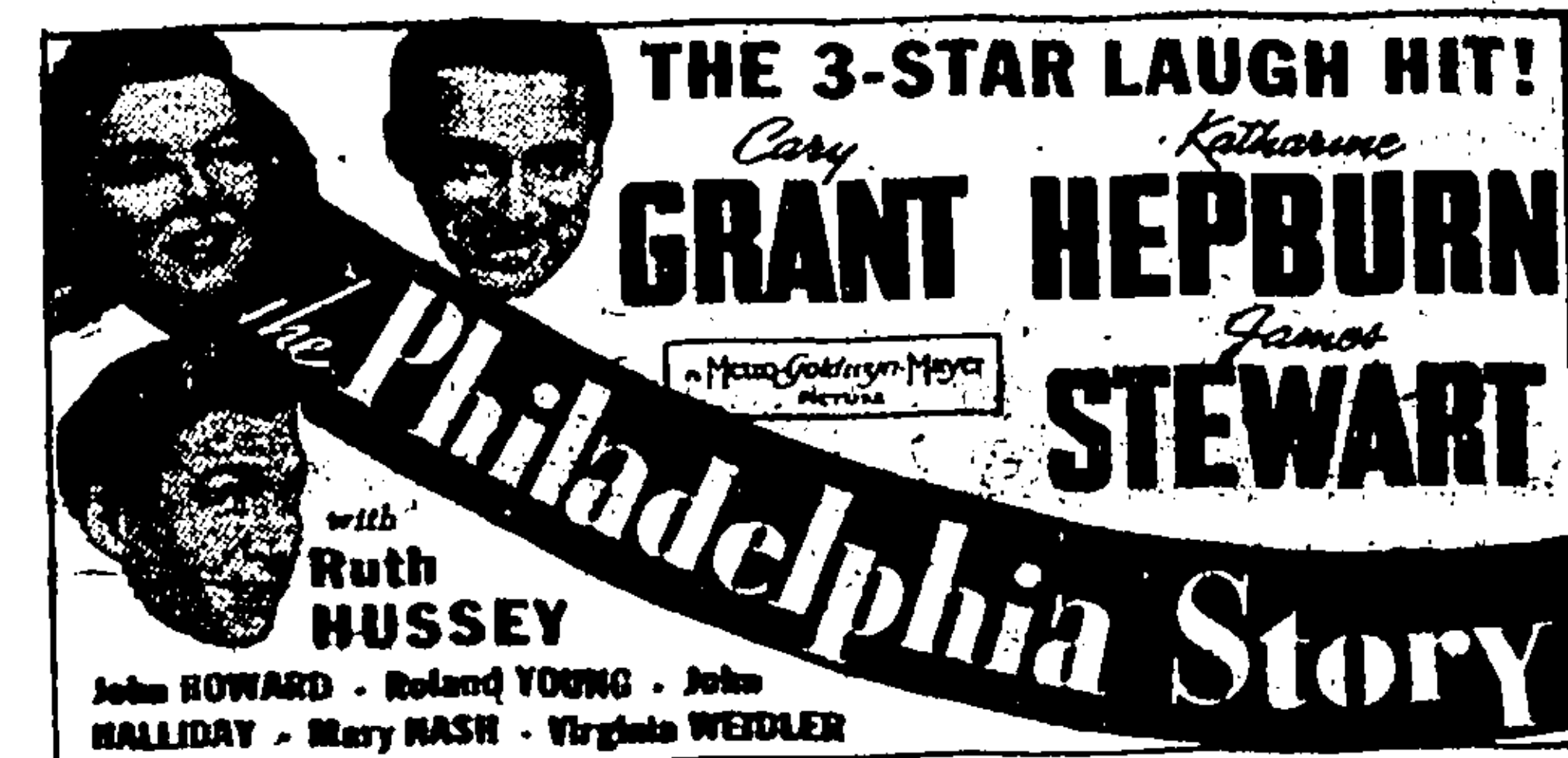
- 10 To allow
- 17 Upon
- 19 Babylonian deity
- 22 To pose
- 24 Not any
- 25 Lethargy
- 26 Mine entrance
- 27 South American rodent
- 28 Erelong
- 29 Conveyance
- 30 Female pig
- 32 Hallowed
- 33 Youth
- 36 Preposition
- 37 Raved
- 38 Blazes
- 40 Joint
- 31 Teutonic deity
- 43 Pronoun
- 44 Ancient city in Phoenicia
- 45 Accomplished
- 46 The Orient
- 47 Footlike part
- 48 To knock
- 49 First woman
- 50 To fall behind

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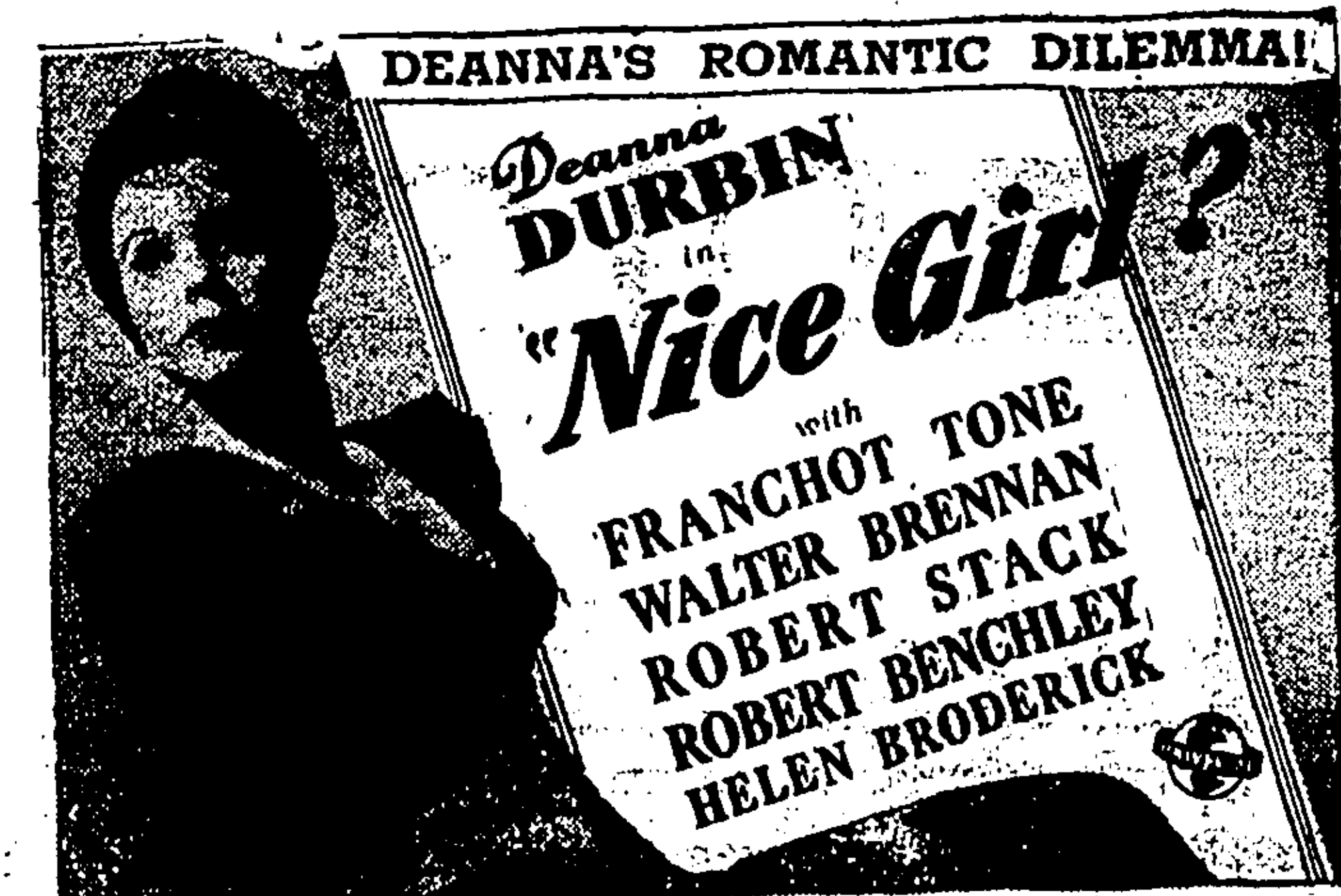


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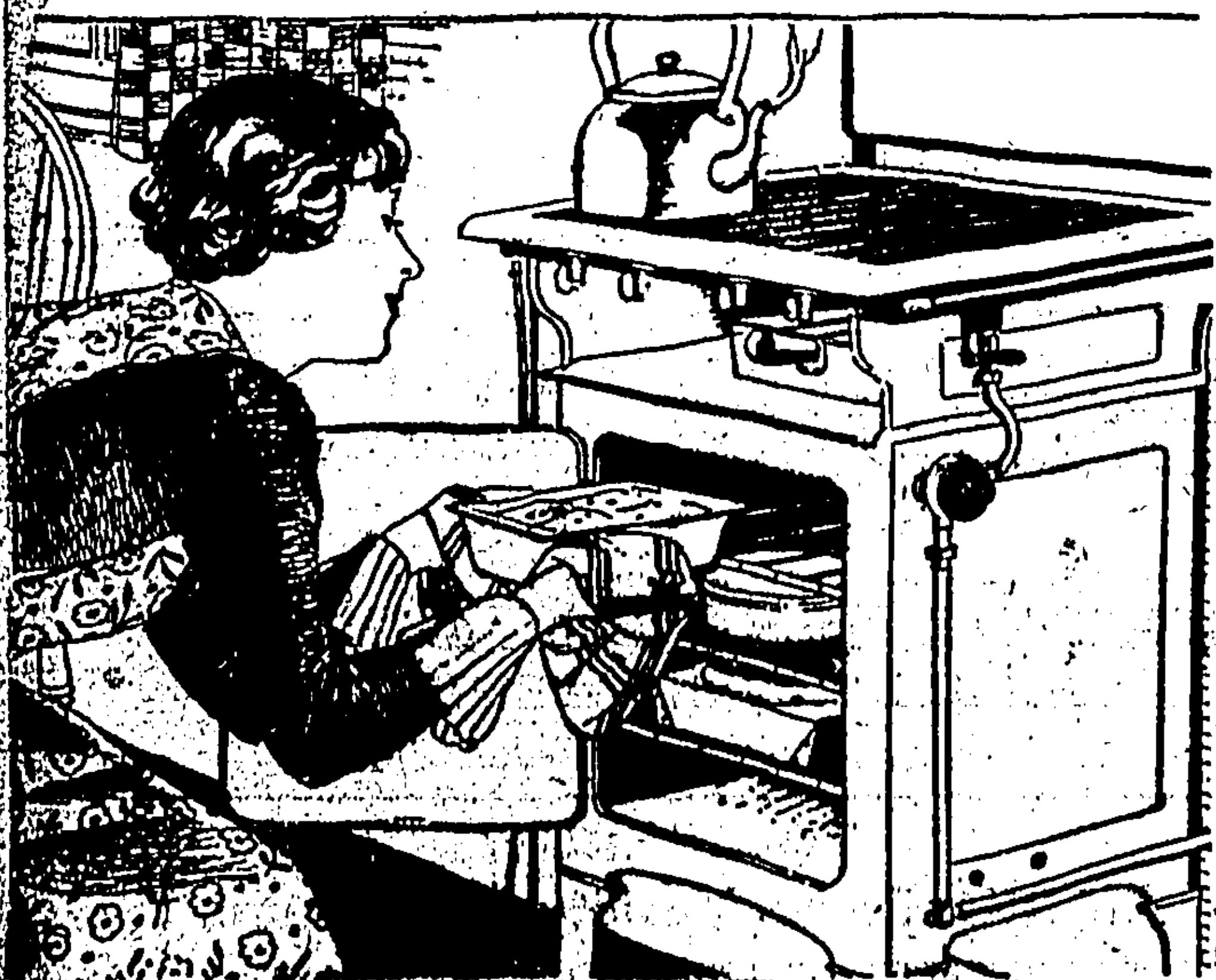
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ROUGED NAZI AIRMEN TAKEN IN BRITAIN

(By A Special Correspondent)

OFFICERS OF THE GERMAN AIR FORCE IN A PRISONERS-OF-WAR CAMP IN ENGLAND SPEND PART OF THEIR PAY ON FACE CREAMS.

Two shot down had waved hair, rouged cheeks, painted lips and enamelled fingernails and toenails.

The medical profession has a word for men of this type. It classifies them as moral deviates, a class with curious tendencies, including outbursts of emotional violence admirably suited to the ruthless tactics of the Luftwaffe.

Sir James Purves-Stewart, K.C.M.G., C.B., celebrated neurologist, who has had active service in previous wars, discovered this abnormal German desire for face cream when he was inspecting what at that time was the only prison camp for German officers in this country.

"These young men, everyone of whom was wearing at least one iron cross, were ill-mannered, aggressive and supercilious," he told me.

"They were of good physique. Their physical courage could not be denied. But though they were officers, they were certainly not 'officers and gentlemen' in the accepted sense of the word.

Painted Lips

"Had they worn mufti and mixed with a group of our own officers similarly dressed you would have picked out our own men immediately.

"This particular form of perversion happens to flourish most vigorously in Germany, and particularly in Berlin, where it receives open encouragement. It was particularly blatant a generation ago, at the time of the Eulenburg scandals at the Imperial German Court.

"Some time after visiting this camp I was on an official mission in Spain and was given corroboration of this state of affairs by a reliable medical colleague. During the Spanish war he had personally seen a German officer shot down. This airman had waved hair, rouged cheeks, painted lips and enamelled finger and toe nails.

Violent Outbursts

"A Scots acquaintance told me that a German officer with precisely similar make-up had

recently been shot down in Scotland.

"It is recognised that people of this temperament are specially subject to violent emotional outbursts. Such outbursts would well accord with some of the examples of German air warfare we have seen in this country.

"I do not know what proportions these moral deviates assume in the German air force, but that they exist in the officer class is obvious.

"In contrast, prisoners in the camps for German N.C.O.s and men are of a different type. Generally I found them to be decent, well-mannered fellows.

"Like all prisoners in our camps, they are well treated. Those who are wounded receive the best medical attention."

WRECKED TANK WITH GRENADES

German tanks operating around Tobruk are meeting with many surprises from the defenders.

I have just been told by a tall, blond 31-year-old Australian, who used to be a storekeeper at Cummanulla, Queensland, how he wrecked two tanks with hand-grenades, states a correspondent.

"A subaltern and seven of us were walking along about midnight, separated from the rest of our unit, when we saw a light tank advancing slowly towards our lines.

"The turret lid was up and the commander of the tank was looking out.

"The subaltern said to me: 'Pop a hand-grenade in her.'

"I got close to the tank, climbed on her, dropped a hand grenade down the turret alongside the commander, banged down the lid, sat on it for a few seconds, then jumped off.

"The tank burst into flames and the two occupants scrambled out, dazed.

"A few minutes later we came across another light tank, and dealt with it in the same way."

WE MUST WIN ON LAND

MAJOR-GEN. GIFFARD LE Q. MARTEL, COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL ARMoured CORPS, SAID IN LONDON: "BOMBING ALONE WILL NEVER WIN THE WAR. BOMBING GERMANY CANNOT SUBJUGATE THE GERMANS ENTIRELY, HOWEVER HARD YOU BOMB THEM.

"The important clash in battles of the future must be between the armoured divisions. We have the advantage that we can mechanise the British Army to a greater extent than the Germans. We live on the land and we must beat them on the land.

"America will have to produce more and more tanks. I am very pleased with the type of tank that we are using now—but the experiments go on. What we want is the dual-purpose tank with great hitting power and speed."

SAVED 101 IN 10 DAYS

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has made awards amounting to £118 9s. 6d. to its crews at Barra Island, in the Hebrides, and Wick, Caithness-shire, who, in ten days, rescued 101 lives from shipwreck.

The Barra lifeboat rescued eighty-seven lives from a Liverpool steamer and a London steamer.

"SWELL" SAYS LORD HALIFAX

Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador in the United States, who was making a seven-day tour of the Middle West, saw a Consolidated B-24 bomber, one of the biggest planes being manufactured in America, leave Pittsburgh airport en route for England.

"That's swell," he exclaimed, "simply swell."

BLITZ LOVE ISN'T BLISS

Lovers could do their courting outside undisturbed in the early blitz days when most people dashed for shelter as soon as the siren sounded.

But to-day they never know if their sweet words are being overheard by fire-watchers, roof-spotters and wardens.

"The other night I took my girl home during an Alert and kissed her good-night outside her gate," said a young soldier in a north-west town to the "Daily Mirror."

"When we parted a voice from the doorway said: 'Not bad, young man, not bad. It reminds me of when I was courting.' It was her father, on fire-watch.

"I suggest that fire-watchers and the like should give a discreet cough, or blow their noses every ten minutes, to let people know where they are."

SING-SING'S BAD COUNT

A miscount of the prisoners in Sing Sing led to the sounding of an alarm, for two missing convicts. There was tremendous police activity before the mistake was discovered.

FOUR MEDALS FOR NO. 82 SQUADRON

FOUR MEMBERS OF No. 82 Squadron, R.A.F., have been awarded decorations for gallantry in flying operations against the enemy.

These are the decorations and the men who won them:—D.S.O. to Acting Wing-Commander Samuel Charles Elworthy, D.F.C., A.F.C. (a New Zealander, educated at Trinity College, Cambridge).

He set a tanker on fire with a direct hit off Havre, despite heavy flak fire. Returning from an attack near Flushing, he eluded two Messerschmidt 109's, although his rear gunner was wounded.

D.F.C. to Flight-Lieutenant Sidney John Monroe (born Finchley, N., educated University College, London). He scored direct hits on a 3,000-ton ship off the Frisian Islands and got his plane safely back after a shell had burst in the cockpit, wounding him and killing the observer.

D.F.M. to Sergeant Robert Leslie Smith (born at Dartmouth, Devon; used to be a local government officer.)

He scored two hits on a tanker off Havre, defying flak fire, and brought his damaged plane safely back.

Herbert Cyril Gayfer, air-gunner (born at Diss, Norfolk; used to be a hairdresser.)

Although wounded, he went on firing and forced an enemy fighter to break away after attacking his plane when returning from daylight operations in the Flushing vicinity.

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DESERT BATTLE

The claim that we attained our objective, in ascertaining the strength of the enemy forces may, on close analysis, be accepted as something more than a mere euphemism. One result, at all events, is quite obvious. If the Germans claim a victory insofar as they are able to assert that the British offensive was repulsed, they were so badly mauled, manhandled and exhausted after three days of combat that they were quite incapable of turning their "success" to account by swift counter-offensive. Their own report on the fighting insists that the battle made "enormous demands on the fighting forces, with noon temperatures of 139 degrees and the crews of tanks required to endure an even higher temperature." Our own tank crews had to fight under similar conditions, of course, but there is a difference in that the German tanks are designed for more temperate climates while the British armoured divisions are equipped with vehicles specially designed for the rigours of the desert. On the whole, we may fairly claim to have come best out of what was a pretty grim slogging match. We held the initiative from



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start to finish and when the withdrawal order was given, the "victorious" enemy was quite incapable of seriously impeding the operation. It has to be recognised that the Germans again surprised us by the weight and efficiency of their defensive powers. And that strength is a very essential thing to know as a preparation for a determined attempt to destroy it and them.

In saying this I am not only thinking of the buildings damaged by bombs which have to be re-built—and in many cases rebuilt

(These despatches appeared in the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten").

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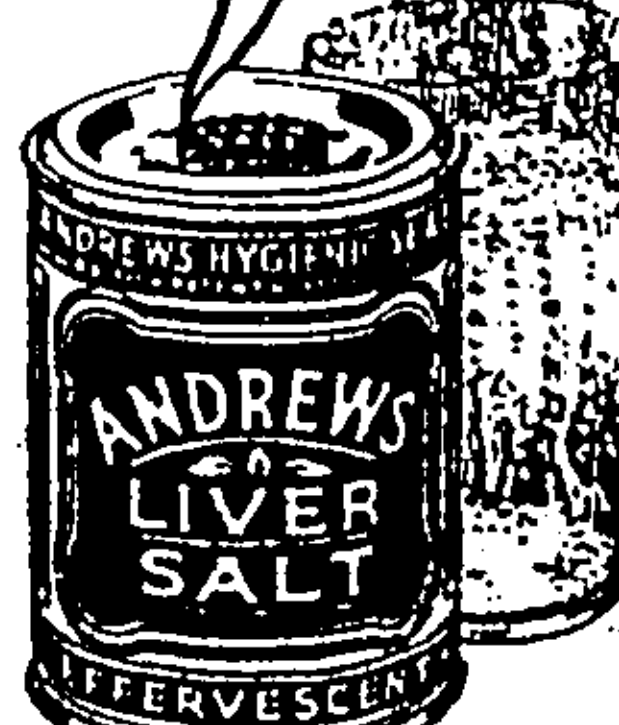


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NAZI CAPITAL ALARMED BY LATEST BOMBS

THE INCREASED FORCE OF BRITISH AIR RAIDS ON GERMANY IS ALREADY PRODUCING A NOTABLE EFFECT. THE BERLIN A.R.P. ORGANISATION IS APPARENTLY UNPREPARED TO DEAL WITH THE HEAVY BOMBS NOW BEING USED BY THE R.A.F.

A neutral traveller who was in Berlin on the night of one of the heaviest recent attacks reports that both officials and the general public appeared completely nonplussed by the violence of the raid.

He spent the night in a deep basement at the Adlon Hotel, where Mr. John Cudahy, the former United States Ambassador to Belgium and then a newspaper correspondent in Berlin, was a fellow-shelterer.

The general state of unpreparedness was illustrated by the fact that soldiers had to be called into the hotel to bring buckets, sand, axes, shovels and other A.R.P. equipment.

Tempelhof Fires

Next morning, when this traveller drove to the Tempelhof airport, many fires were still burning. Hits had been scored on at least five buildings at the Brandenburg Gate end of the Unter den Linden. Incendiaries fell all round the Tempelhof.

Shelters in the basements of buildings are not only inadequate protection against the penetrative force of the new bombs but often prove death-traps.

There have been many instances of buildings collapsing and burying shelterers under tons of debris. People have also been drowned when shelters have been flooded by burst water-mains.

Frantic Work

The Berlin authorities are working at frantic speed digging deep shelters away from buildings. The informant saw a large one being constructed just outside the Brandenburg Gate. He was told that others were being made in many parts of the city.

Berliners have developed a radio technique for learning of the approach of raiders before the public warnings sound.

When Deutschlandsender goes off the air it is a sign that raiders are over Germany. If Breslau is still broadcasting, people spending the evening with friends know that they have ample time to reach home before the sirens go. When Breslau cuts out, however, it is a signal that they must hurry if they do not want to be caught in a raid.

NAZIS GRAB 800 SLOVAK AIRMEN

At Germany's request the Slovak Quisling government has transferred 800 pilots and observers, A.A. personnel and material to the German air force.

Czechoslovak circles in London say this is the first instance of Germany seeking air force reinforcements from a suppressed nation and the fact that they did not create a separate unit for the airmen is interpreted as lack of confidence in them.

HITLER WILL REGRET ---

"If we ever decide upon retaliation, then heaven help the Germans. Hitler will live to regret the day he began the attack upon civilians."

That's what the Parliamentary Secretary to the First Lord of the Admiralty said at Barnstaple (Devon).

"The raid on London" he declared, "was ordered by Hitler in one of his fits of paranoic ching-smashing rage."

HUNGRY FRENCH BLAME NAZIS

An indication that the French people are beginning to appreciate the connection between their lack of food and German seizures is contained in an article in the "Temps," quoted by Vichy correspondents.

"Food brought in by our shipping," the newspaper asserts, "ought to be exclusively destined for the feeding of the French population. The amount of requisitioning should be kept from interfering with French supplies. That this is not the case at present is shown by the fact that no fruit can be obtained in the unoccupied region, although it has been arriving regularly from North Africa."

To secure butter, it is added, people living in unoccupied France have to queue up from four or five o'clock in the morning until nine o'clock or later.

It was reported from Vichy that the Paris police had been forced to take action against 6,200 Parisians whose homes or office buildings were placarded with anti-German slogans.

The Nazis have issued new regulations making persons in charge of Paris buildings responsible for inscriptions of this kind, and the police have to tour the city every morning looking for offending slogans and chalk signs.

THAT FIRE CAME FIRST

"I've been on duty at a fire and want to get back," said a fireman, wet and dirty, answering a County Court summons at Shoreditch. He was not kept waiting. "Pay 5s. 6d. a month," said the registrar.

GOT FIVE TANKS SINGLE-HANDED

WARRANT-OFFICER William H. Stenning, of the Australian Forces, has won the D.C.M. for knocking out five tanks and capturing their crews single-handed.

The "London Gazette" discloses that when Stenning's platoon was held up by tanks he went forward alone to deal with them with an anti-tank rifle in the face of heavy fire.

Later, under his leadership, the platoon held its ground when attacked, and put three more tanks out of action.

With One Revolver

Trooper Elfred Hughes, of the Royal Tank Regiment, alone captured two enemy tank crews.

He, too, is awarded the D.C.M.

When our forces had orders not to fire unless necessary, to avoid giving away their positions, Hughes went forward on foot to investigate the enemy's strength.

He climbed on to the first tank and demanded the sur-



Pat O'Brien and Constance Bennett are the romantic co-stars of Columbia's "Escape to Glory," at the King's Theatre.

HITLER OWES LIFE TO A JEW

Dr. Bloch, a Jew, to whom Hitler owes his life, has arrived in New York with his wife from Austria to spend his last years in America.

Hitler gave him a special "exit permit" to leave Austria.

Forty years ago Dr. Bloch was local doctor in Linz and family physician to the entire Hitler household.

He nursed every member of the family through a mysterious hereditary complaint.

Adolf was the only one he failed to cure, although he saved him from dying.

"I have never disclosed the nature of the disease from which the Hitler family suffers," Dr. Bloch told a reporter.

"If I preserved medical secrecy I should not be alive to-day."

When Hitler began his anti-Jewish drive Dr. Bloch was forced to give up his practice in Linz, but was given special permission to start a new one in Vienna.

Recently he asked to be allowed to end his days in the peace of America. The Nazis agreed.

render of its crew at the point of the revolver. The crew surrendered.

He advanced to the other tank. That crew surrendered, too.

Signalman Kenneth R. Clift, of the Australian Forces, also wins the D.C.M. for a revolver exploit.

Captured A Battery

He was in charge of a line party which became detached from its battalion and then suddenly came on a battery firing into the rear of our troops.

His men had only two pistols between them, but Clift gave the order to attack.

When the Australians were 50 yards away, the battery commander raised the white flag.

BLOWN UP, HE THOUGHT AS HE FELL—

"WILL IT HURT?... LONG WAY... ANNOYED"

STANDING 40FT. above the ground on a bridge connecting the two top floors of Lambeth Hospital, Auxiliary Fireman Jack Read was helping to deal with a fire in the roof. Bombs had been falling around. Then one crashed beneath the bridge, hurling Read high into the air until he could see the roof beneath him.

The rest of the story Read jotted down in his diary in hospital:

"I am hurled upwards through the air at a terrifying speed. At the top of my flight I seem to be stationary for a second. I am conscious of a brilliant light from the exploding bomb and in this instant I see the bridge breaking up underneath me.

"I Imagine—"

"Kirby (the officer-in-charge) is flying through the air and the light is playing on his polished brass epaulettes. There is the roar of the explosion and the rumble of falling bricks and masonry. Then it is dark.

"I begin to turn over and over as I fall. I know that I have a long way to drop and I imagine that I shall be killed when I reach the ground. I let my body go limp because I think that by doing this I will possibly avoid violent fractures.

"I wonder how much it is going to hurt. There is still a loud rumbling of falling debris and I feel my forehead become moist against the wind as something grazes the skin.

"It seems that I have already been falling a week. I begin to feel annoyed—annoyed at the thought of dying before this war is finished.

"Turning Crazy"

"All my life I have watched civilisation in revolt: first creeping, then a stampede. It would have been so interesting, so exciting.

"In a small way I had hoped to be part of the great change, but here I am turning crazy over and over and falling towards my doom. I am annoyed.

"Then I realise that these feelings are stimulated by very selfish motives, and I console myself that at least I have lived to see the turning point in civilisation. That in itself is something.

"Then I wonder again how hard the ground is going to be. I am conscious of the fact that I have stopped falling. There is a pain in my left arm, but I just can't think that I'm alive.

"A piece of debris, a door-frame or something, lands across my chest, but its full force is taken by the debris that is on either side of me. I welcome the twinge in my chest.

"I Must Be Alive"

"I must still be alive, I attempt to raise the debris, but my left arm will not respond to the impulse. My right arm is active, and I manage to get up and walk towards a group of dim lights that are appearing in front of me."

Read was carried into the hospital. The diary entry ends: "I go off to sleep after saying my prayers for the first time in years."

That was four months ago. Now Auxiliary Fireman Read, aged 27, is back at his post.

Extracts from the diary are appearing in a news-letter sent by the American Outpost in Britain to their friends at home.

FOUR WOMEN DIE IN MERCHANT NAVY

The names of four women—a chief stewardess, an assistant and two nurse stewardesses—are included in the Merchant Navy casualty list.

The majority of the casualties were Indians, of whom many were firemen, saloon boys, stewards, trimmers, general servants and bar boys.

SENSED DANGER, DEATH STRUCK

As he kissed his wife and two babies good-bye during a raid, Able Seaman Sydney Williams had a premonition that his home in a north-west town would be bombed.

Though he had to rejoin his ship, he almost decided to miss the midnight train, so strong was his belief that his home would be wrecked. But duty came first.

Soon after he was on board came a telegram telling him the house had been smashed and his seven-week old baby, Phyllis, whom he had just seen for the first time, killed.

Little Sister Unhurt

Mrs. Williams told the "Daily Mirror": "Sydney was home on compassionate leave as I had been ill. He told me about his premonition."

The baby was sleeping downstairs with her two-and-a-half-year-old sister, Sylvia, when the bomb fell. Groping in the dark, Mrs. Williams lifted a heavy beam and scraped away the debris, rescuing Sylvia almost unscathed, but the baby was dead.

BOY EVACUEE HANGED

Kenneth Charles James Vincent, fifteen, of Essex Road, Ilington, with his mother at Cherry Hinton Road, Cambridge, was found hanging in a garden shed there.

CITY'S RAID DEAD LIE IN ONE GRAVE

THOUSANDS OF WREATHS were placed near the coffins of victims of Coventry's recent air raid, when they were buried in a common grave.

Three separate services were held. The Bishop of Coventry, Dr. Mervyn Haigh, addressed members of the Church of England; Father Simpson conducted a service for the Roman Catholics, and the Rev. Fraser Cunningham represented the members of the Free Churches.

At the close of the three services buglers sounded the Last Post.

Then thousands of mourners filed past the huge grave and laid wreaths and bunches of flowers on the edge.

Women Break Down

Many women broke down and, sobbing, had to be helped away. Others, distracted, threw their wreaths on to the coffins which were covered with Union Jacks.

The Bishop of Coventry, in an

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NAZI PLAN TO INVADE RUSSIA

Reports received in London suggest that Germany has completed preparations for the invasion of Russia.

She has constructed fresh fortifications behind those already built along the Russo-German demarcation line in Poland and a series of underground aerodromes running south of Warsaw in the direction of Radom and possibly to the limit of the Polish plain.

According to the Budapest correspondent of the Swedish "Sydsvenska Dagbladet," a state of "the highest alarm" exists in Eastern Europe and the Russian frontier defence is being strengthened.

German troops, it is stated, are streaming from the west, some having been transferred from Holland, Belgium and France.

In the Radom district notices have been posted by the German to the effect that 43 named villages and hamlets must be evacuated. The list is supplemented by a further 21 names of places to which refugees may not go.

The reason for this evacuation order is reliably stated to be the extension of underground hangars and the line of fortification projected along the Warsaw-Radom railway line.

Move Against Russia

In some places the work started last winter. Villages and estates were forcibly evacuated.

The Germans have already pulled down cottages. People who failed to leave after this were beaten, including women, old men and children.

The construction of these military works can be directed against no other country than Russia. This area is too remote to be a base for bombing operations either in the Mediterranean or in the western areas where German machines operate.



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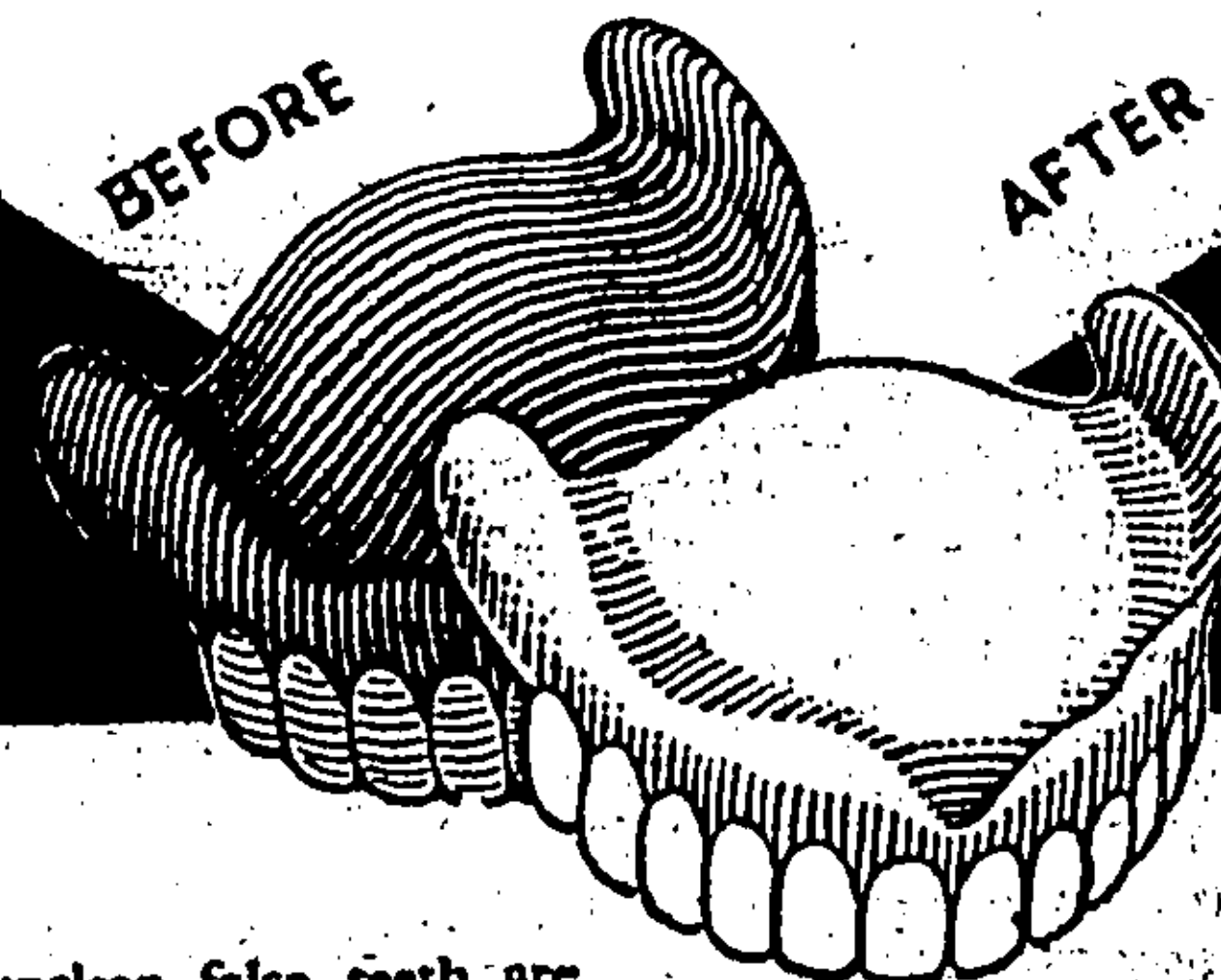
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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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BRIDGE NOTES

CHOOSING A LEAD

By The Four Aces

"Please comment on this hand," requests a Chicago reader. "We'd like to find out what you think of the bidding and the opening lead:

North, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

NORTH

♠ K
♥ A K Q J 6
♦ Q J 10 9 3
♣ A 5

WEST

♠ Q 9 8 7 3 2
♥ 5
♦ 6
♣ 10 9 6 4 2

EAST

♠ A J 6 4
♥ 10 8 7 3 2
♦ 4
♣ 8 7 3

SOUTH

♠ 10 5
♥ 9 4
♦ A K 8 7 6 2
♣ K Q J

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	3♦	Pass
7♦	4♦	Pass	Pass
Redbl.	Pass	Pass	Pass

"West decided that North had solid hearts and that it was vital to take a trick at once if the

Grand Slam was to be defeated. That could be done only if East had an Ace or a void suit; and because West's spades were longer, he decided East was more likely to be void of spades than of clubs. He therefore led a spade—whereupon he saw that his reasoning had been all wrong, for East took the spades Ace.

"That ended the party, of course. North and South censured each other for the bidding; then they pounced on East for doubling, and on West for leading a spade. What do you think?"

We agree with the opening lead and with West's reasoning. We don't mind feeling a bit silly if our lead defeats a Grand Slam!

East's double was rather unwise. It was more likely than not to produce an unusual lead from West—whereas a pass would almost surely induce West to lead one of the unbid suits. There was an even chance, in that case, that West would lead a spade.

As between North and South, we place the blame on South for jumping to three diamonds. Such a bid shows a great deal more high-card strength—at least an Ace more than he held. North cannot be criticised for bidding a Grand Slam, although there was little need to bid it then and there.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ A 10 8 5
♥ 9 4
♦ K 8 4 2
♣ J 7 4

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schaefer	You	Major
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Bid four diamonds. You cannot bid three no-trump since that would guarantee a club stopper; hence four diamonds is the only reasonable response to your partner's forcing bid.

Score 100% for four diamonds, 30% for three no-trump.

Question No. 748

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Jacoby	Schaefer	You	Major
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer

Monday.)

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(By A Special Correspondent)

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In a Cheshire hospital, she looked forward eagerly to returning soon to her home at Greetland, near Halifax—and to her Wolf Cubs. She never lost her gaiety and interest in her boys' welfare. Before she went to hospital they used to hold meetings every Sunday at her bedside. Some visited her in hospital, too.

And the hospital's troop of Scout's and Clubs have learnt much from her about woodcraft, bandaging, and morse.

Her dark eyes twinkling with fun Clara, who is twenty-seven, told me: "I am a blanket weaver, and it takes more than this to get a Yorkshire mill girl down."

Last September she went to hospital for her big operation. She was one of the few who could not be taken to shelter during air raids.

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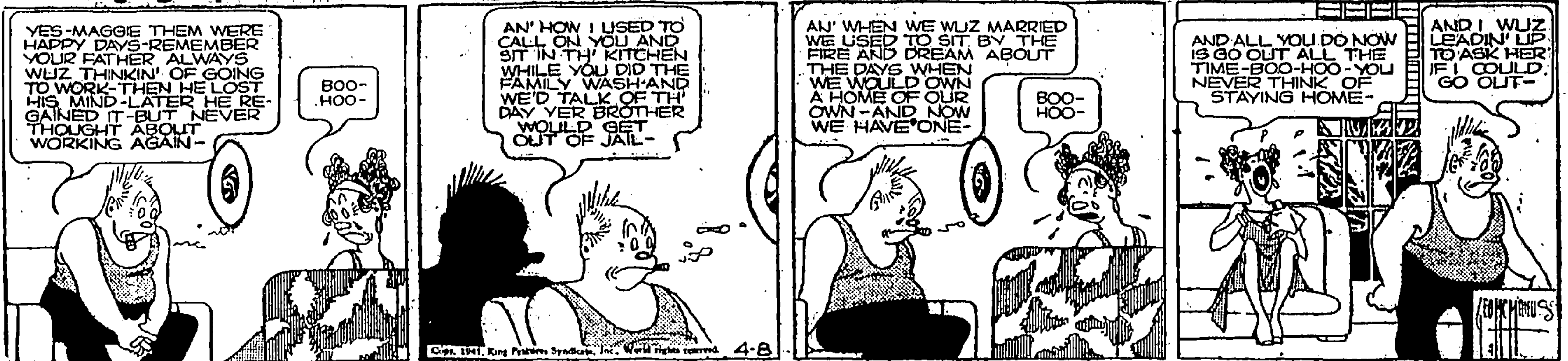
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Aging Skin Responds

Home facials are becoming very simplified. Time was, when cosmeticians tried to sell the matron at least ten products for the care of her face but now the more progressive ones frankly admit that most women may care for their skin at home adequately with four aids: a good cleansing cream, a softening cream, a freshener or tonic, and a masque of a consistency which is easy to apply and remove. Of course, an occasional professional facial is not only good for most aging skins but it is also a luxurious delight and a woman who can afford it should indulge in one every fortnight.

But matrons with dry or oily textures can do much to beautify their faces at home if they will be sure to select all four aids of the same make and use them consistently. If you mix your cosmetics, taking a cleanser from one house and a softener from another you may run into trouble. So stick to the one make until you desire a change.

City dwellers all need a cleansing cream no matter what their skin texture. Apply it whenever you begin to clean your face. Ladies with dry skins should follow it with a liquid skin freshener which is poured onto moist, fresh cotton. Ladies with oily skins should follow a cream cleansing with a tepid soap and water scrubbing. Then when the skin has thoroughly dried they should pat on a firming skin tonic which is more astringent than the freshener.



The woman who sits before her mirror every day and goes through a simple skin routine with reliable aids is bound to radiate skin beauty.

Save Time This Way

As most of us are pretty busy these days we must learn to conserve time. One good way to do

it, and invite beauty too, is by massaging your face with a cream softener after it has been thor-

oughly cleansed at night, just before you hop into a relaxing bath. Leave the cream on until you get out of the tub and then remove only the excess with tissue afterwards. By doing this you do not go to bed with a greased skin but it has been softened and helped sufficiently.

Another way to save time is to use your skin refining masque when you are giving yourself a pedicure or a manicure. Most preparations of this kind should remain on your skin fifteen minutes or a half hour to do their job. So use that time to touch up your nails or if they do not need attention, lie down with eye-pads on your eyes and get forty winks of rest. Some housewives go about their home duties with a cream masque on their faces and a softening hand lotion on their hands covered with either cotton or rubber gloves.

There are several little tricks you can learn which will save you time. We must keep beautiful so we must find time for the necessary grooming. But by getting into the habit of caring for your skin at the same time each day—either morning or evening—you make it easier for yourself.

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Combat Cold

By Justine Glass

Whatever you do, don't let your temperature get too low. If you find that cold snaps bite into your bones more than they did last season it's a sign your system is deficient in certain necessary elements. And most likely the effect of this deficiency will show in hollow cheeks, "saltcellars,"

knobbly elbows and knees, and general scragginess.

To keep youthful-looking we must keep warm. We must make full use of obtainable "heat-givers."

In my last article I advised cod or halibut liver oil. I'll give you details of the most effective types on request. It's essential, too, to add the four chief vitamins to your diet.

On the kitchen front you can marshal several useful allies. Suet puddings and wholemeal bread will help, and bacon which can supply a substantial part of your system's "fat quota." Choose well-padded rashers, if you can get them. And eat not only the bacon but its grease. The fat which it gives out when fried is more valuable than gold just now.

Cold meals give the body more work to do, so it's best to concentrate on hot food especially in winter. Another point worth remembering is that heat should be conserved as much as possible by wearing warm gloves, warm stockings and underwear, and by keeping the head warm.

And now for the other side of the question—outside aid. Keep the cuticles of toes and fingers well-oiled with vitaminised oil. A hormone cream should be used for face and neck, or a massage cream which is more nourishing than a light-weight skin-food.

"Salt-cellars," bony arms, or any other depleted contours can be gently massaged with a flesh-forming preparation. Use the flat of the hand for this type of massage. It should be a gentle, smoothing, circular movement.



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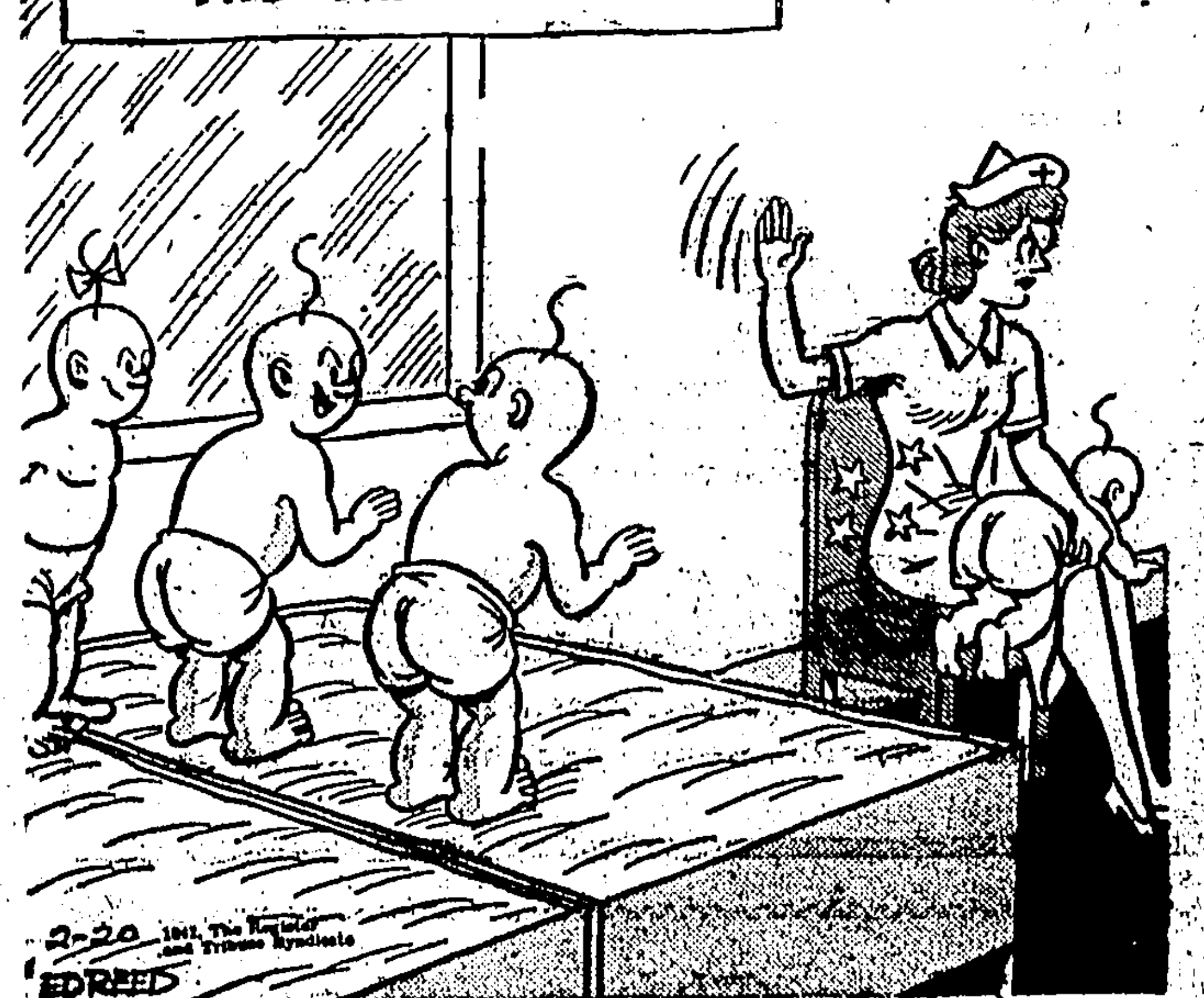
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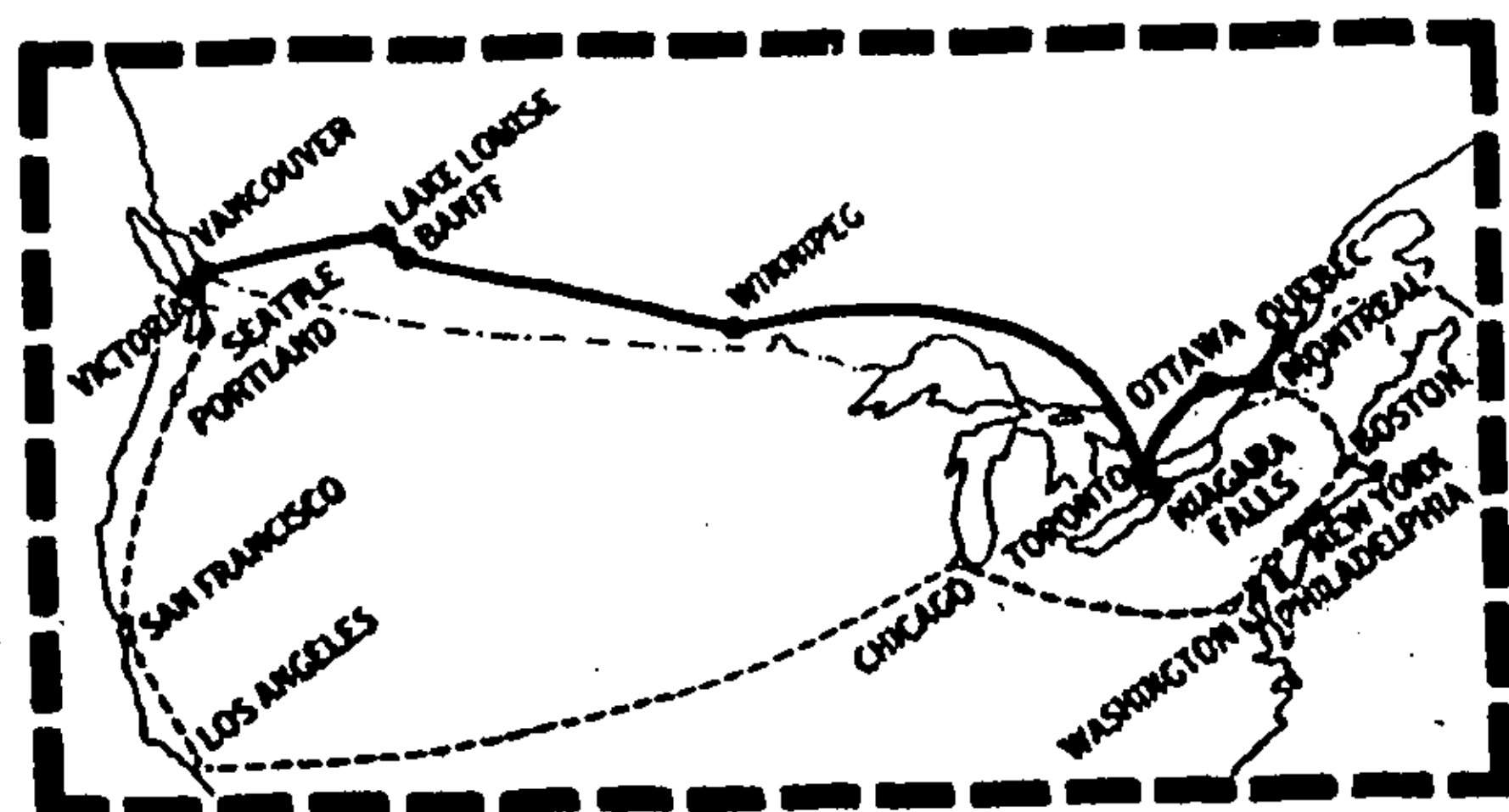
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12.30 p.m.—Popular Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Two Dreams Met (film "Down Argentine Way")... Tommy Dorsey & his Orchestra. Quickstep—'I've Got My Eyes on You' ("Broadway Melody of 1940")... Fox-Trot—Begin the Beguine... Billy Cotton & his Band. Fox-Trot—Ferry-boat Serenade... Billy Cotton & his Band. Waltz—Beautiful Ohio & his Band. Waltz—Beautiful Ohio & his Band. Glenn Miller & his Orchestra. Quickstep—'I'm Nobody's Baby' (film "Andy Hardy Meets a Debutante")... Victor Silvester & his Ballroom Orchestra. Fox-Trot—A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square (from "New Faces")... Joe Loss & his Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Yes, My Darling Daughter... Benny Goodman & his Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Horsey, Horsey... Billy Cotton & his Band.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—A Victor Herbert Programme.

Miss Dolly Dollars—Entr'act: Love Is Best of All (from "Princess Pat")... Harry Horlick & his Orch.

Thine Alone: Someday (both from "The Great Victor Herbert")... Allan Jones (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Fleur-de-lis: Al Fresco (Intermezzo from "It Happened in Nordland")... Harry Horlick & his Orchestra.

A Kiss in the Dark (film "The Great Victor Herbert")... Webster Booth (Vocal) with Orchestra. Kiss Me Again... The London Palladium Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Sea Songs and Shanties.

Sea Songs Medley—Intro: Princess Royal: Admiral Benbow: Port-mouth: Life on the Ocean Waves: Massed Bands of The Royal Marines Portsmouth Command.

Sea Shanties—Nous Irons A Val-paraiso: Slucamunni Sta Lampa: Storm Along: Roll the Wood-Pile Down (arr. Harris)... John Goss (Baritone) and Male Quartet with Piano accomp.

1.55 p.m.—The London Piano-Accordeon Band.

The Whistling Waltz (film "Lime-light"): Maid of Brazil (Le Roy & Marsden): An Old Hawaiian Guitar (Leon & Towers): On the Beach at Ball-Ball (Sherman & Others): Back in Those Old Kentucky Days (Al Brown): Good Evening! Pretty Lady (Butler & Others).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—A Sibelius Programme.

En Saga... New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens. Danse Champetre, Op. 108, No. 1... Emil Telmányi (Violin) with Piano.

Symphonic Fantasia "Pohjola's Daughter, Op. 49... Serge Koussevitzky & the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

7.20 p.m.—Three Songs by Enrico Caruso (Tenor).

Trusting Eyes (Gartner): Your Eyes Have Told Me What I Do Not Know (Bowles-O'Hara): O Sole Mio (Capurro-di Capua)... with Symphony Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—A Chopin Recital.

Mazurka in C Sharp Minor, Op. 50, No. 3: Study in C Sharp Minor, Op. 10, No. 4: Study in G Flat Major, Op. 10, No. 5... Vladimir Horowitz (Piano). Nocturne in C Sharp Minor (arr. Milstein)... Nathan Milstein (Violin) with Piano accomp.

Polonaise No. 2 in E Flat Minor, Op. 26, No. 2... Arthur Rubinstein (Piano). Mazurka in A Minor, Op. Posth. 67, No. 4 (arr. Kreisler)... Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with Piano accomp.

Etude in B Minor (Octave Study, Op. 25, No. 10)... Percy Grainger (Piano).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—Special Broadcast to the British Forces in the Far East.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Programme Summary and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Folk Music and Songs.

English Folk Songs—Suite (Vaughan Williams—arr. Jacob): Seventeen Come Sunday—My Bonny Boy—Folk Songs from Somerset... Columbia Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra cond. by Howard Barlow.

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The Berkshire Tragedy (Broadwood—Maitland): A Sad Ending (Trad.): Olyver Cromwell (Broadwood—Maitland)... Our Bill (F. H. Grisewood) with Piano accomp.

The American Square Dance—Jig Time... Folk Dance Orchestra.

9.30 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

Over the Waves (Rosas)... Orchestra Mascotte: Tosca, Waltz: Broken Life (both arr. Schwartz)... Russian Novelty Orchestra. Doctrien (Joh. Strauss)... Johann Strauss & Symphony Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Vocal Duets by Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone).

Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life (film "Naughty Marietta")... Indian Love Call (film "Rose Marie")... Farewell to Dreams (Kahn—Romberg).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

10.15 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Jubilee Swing: Take It From the Top... Ella Fitzgerald's Orchestra. Quickstep—Angry: Whose Little What's-It-are-You? Joe Loss & his Orchestra.

Tango—Nightfall: In Santa Margarita... Heinz Hupperts & his Orchestra. Fox-Trot—In A Moon-

ARMY'S 24,000,000 BUTTONS ORDER

The clothing of Kitchen's Army in 1914 was seriously delayed by a shortage of trousers buttons. Buttons are a problem in this war, too, for the Quartermaster-General's department was suddenly called on to provide 24,000,000 of them.

This was revealed in an interview by Lt.-Gen. Sir Wilfred Lindsell, who is in charge of the Administration of the Home Forces.

Gen. Lindsell said his task was to supply everything that the Army wanted, from women's underwear for the A.T.S. to 15in guns, or from a surgical needle to a heavy tank.

"The tonnage to be handled is tremendous," he said. "Whether a soldier is in Libya or elsewhere he requires one-third of a ton of supplies per month."

"In this country there can be no stabilised front. We have therefore to be prepared to fight a war in our own lines, and there is no part of these islands which can be regarded as immune."

"Inevitably, therefore, in the event of attempted invasion, every priority would have to be given to the movement of men and munitions."

Gen. Lindsell pointed out that the Army was at present using only two-thirds of the amount of petrol consumed by private motor-cars in this country.

boat: Waltz—I'll Always Love You

Sydney Lipton & his Grosvenor House Dance Orchestra. Swing

Fox-Trot—Dusk: Blue Goose... Duke Ellington & his Famous Orch.

Fox-Trot—It's A Horse and a Saddle for Me: Rumba—Montague, the Terrific... Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye. Fox-Trot—Our Love Affair (from "Strike Up the Band")... Good-night Again... Billy Cotton & his Band.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Music Hall".

12.00 Midnight—Close down.

MINISTRY OF CHILDHOOD

Welfare Work Call

"What we want, and what I hope we shall soon have, is a Ministry of Childhood," Lady Allen of Hurtwood said at the opening of an exhibition of the Nursery Schools Association at Charing Cross Underground Station.

She indicated that new measures to co-ordinate the Ministries responsible for the welfare of children under five may shortly be taken, and added: "There has been no co-ordinating group. At the beginning there was great confusion in the reception areas because of this."

"Mr. Herwald Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, was horrified when he realised this lack of Ministerial co-ordination, and he has promised all help. Sometimes we have found Ministries 'passing the buck'."

Mr. Ramsbotham opened the exhibition. Before the autumn raids there were 15 nursery centres for evacuated children under five, but now there are 86. They are housed in parish halls, big country houses and even in country inns.

PICKED-UP BOMB EXPLODES

After the exploding of a mortar bomb, Pte. James Henry Cook, aged 22, New Cottages, Hindhead, died, and at the inquest at Folkestone the coroner, Mr. B. H. Boniface, suggested to the jury that proceedings might be taken elsewhere.

Lieut.-Cpl. R. W. Munroe said that Cook and another soldier named Busher found the bomb. The witness warned everybody to keep away, but Busher picked it up. He replaced it after being warned to do so.

Afterwards the witness heard Cook say: "Throw it to me, Busher." There was an explosion and Cook was seriously injured. The inquest was adjourned.

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SHANGHAI INTERPORT SPORTSMEN SHINE IN CRICKET MATCH

Shanghai Cricket Club Stragglers are now at the top of the Shanghai Cricket League table, thanks to a 6 wickets win over Police Club.

SHANGHAI POLO RALLIES

Reports reaching here from Shanghai indicate that polo is coming into its own again in that port after a somewhat lean start early in the season, when indications were that only a limited number of players would be interested enough to turn out for matches.

The change for the better has necessitated reversion to the procedure adopted in previous seasons, namely that players desiring a game on Saturday afternoons have been requested to notify the Hon. Field Secretary, Mr. R. B. Moller, on the Friday preceding the day on which they desire to play.

American players will be out in full force to prepare for the annual classic, The British Cup, which, as usual, will be competed for on July 4, though present indications are that the match will fall short of its usual high standard owing to the fact that there are at present a bare handful of players who are up to match standard.

Those taking part in the game so far this season are: R. B. Moller, E. Moller, Sprague, A. V. White, Allman, Kops, Lucks, C. Moller, Culbertson, Franklin, Moore Laidlaw, Pote-Hunt, Clark, H. A. White and Striker.

Danny MacFayden has been given unconditional release from the Washington Nats. Signed as a free agent last winter after being released by Pittsburgh Pirates, MacFayden pitched 11 relief innings for the Senators this season and was charged with one defeat. He says he expects to sign with another American League club.

The game was played on the S.C.C. ground and Police were all out for 129, J. C. Jenkins (2 for 39) and H. Orr (2 for 19), both of whom have played for Shanghai against Hong Kong, being the most successful bowlers.

J. Pote-Hunt, Shanghai Interport footballer, made 38 runs for Stragglers, for whom Interport swimmer A. C. Sinclair (51 not out) was top-scorer. Jenkins was also undefeated with 18 to his credit.

F. C. Woodley, with 3 for 17, returned the best analysis for the Police.

CHALLENGERS APLENTY FOR WELTER TITLE

Ernie Roderick, the British welterweight champion, now in the R.A.F., will find plenty of opponents available when he can manage the time to fight.

At least three men think they have sound claims to title fights. They are Norman Snow, Paddy Roche, the Irish champion, and Harry Lazar, the 18-year-old East London fighter.

Roche, who is joining the Irish Guards, recently beat Arthur Danahar and George Odwell. He is now challenging Snow and is anxious to secure a fight with Roderick.

Boy Discovery

About a year ago Lazar, a real name Lazarus was being hailed as a boy discovery. Critics were unanimous that he was a champion in the making. Coming from a family of boxers, Lazar showed a natural aptitude for the game. He could punch; he had style and, above all, possessed the cool head of a veteran on his young shoulders.

Lazar disappeared from boxing for a time following his suspension by the British Boxing Board of Control for appearing in unlicensed tournaments, and little is known of his present form, except his recent win over Dave Crowley.

INDIANS ENTERTAIN CRAIGENGOWER IN PREMIER DIVISION



J. S. Landolt is seen here delivering a wicket in the Open Rinks game at the Valley on Sunday. Y. A. Razack, the opposing No. 3, is on his left.

K.F.C. EXPECTED TO BEAT K. TONG

By "Skip"

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE BOWLS GAME AT SOOKUNDOO APPEARS TO BE THE MOST INTERESTING IN THE PROGRAMME, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE SPLENDID RESULT WHICH THE INDIANS ACHIEVED LAST WEEK. THAT THEY WILL BE OUT FOR GIANT-SLAYING AGAIN TO-DAY, I HAVE NO DOUBT BUT, HARD AS THE INDIANS ARE TO BEAT ON THEIR OWN GREEN, I THINK CRAIGENGOWER MUST WIN. I WOULD NOT LIKE TO DRAW EITHER OF THEM IN THE SWEEP! NO, SIR! RECREIO "A" IS A MUCH BETTER PROPOSITION TO MY MIND!

The two Kowloon Bowling Green Club teams are playing at home and are expected to win, but I cannot visualise a very big majority in either case.

The "A" outfit, in which Phillips and Sykes have changed places as leads, entertain Police, whilst the "B" men, who look to have the easier task, meet Kowloon Cricket Club. Only change in the cricketers' team is due to Joe Fraser having gone on leave. Taylor, his erstwhile No. 3, takes over the vacancy with Ted Ramsey as his right hand man, where on recent form he should do well.

Recreio "B" visit Hung Hom and their journey should be a fruitful one as the Docks do not look at all strong. Johnny Kempton will be absent for the rest of the season, having, like Fraser, gone on leave.

In Second Division the main game will be at Chatham Road, where Kowloon Tong, hitherto unbeaten, will be guests. The footballers have made several changes, which I think will make for better balance—not so many eggs in one basket, so to speak, and I think the home team will win.

Hamilton Memory

Craigengower must surely collect most of the points at the expense of Hong Kong Cricket Club, for whom I notice P. J. A. Hamilton is playing as No. 3 to A. W. Brown. He had quite a successful year as skip in Third Division when he played for Kowloon Bowling Green Club a couple of years ago. I hope he won't mind my recalling the fact that when, as the merest of novices, he was told to change his hand, he being ambidexterous, promptly transferred his wood to his other hand! Imagine his skip's amazement! "Bud" Jilott is turning out as skip for Prison Officers Club in place of the injured Bagley, and if he can only produce last year's form should do well. He has not been at his best so far this season. I have not seen the composition of Talkoo's team, but on current showing the Stanleyites should win. I fancy Club de Recreio to come away from Cox's Road laden with points.

Big Test For Police

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, present leaders in Third Division, travel to the Valley to meet Police, and this should be about the best game in this section of the League, with the visitors scraping home by a narrow margin.

I expect Kowloon Football Club to gather points at the expense of Hong Kong Cricket Club, even at Chater Road, whilst the other footballers may just about hold Craigengower as the match is on their own green. The other game is very open, but Indian Recreation Club may just pull it off.

SECOND ROUND DRAW

Following is the draw for the Second Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Rinks Championship, to be played on Sunday next, June 29:

At Recreio

A. Lapsley, R. Lapsley Jr., R. Lapsley and E. Kern (skip) v. L. Sykes, C. F. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall (skip).

E. A. Atkins, G. F. Thompson, H. White and J. C. Meyer (skip) v. F. R. Zimmermann, A. Zimmermann, D. Hung and N. A. E. Mackay (skip).

At Civil Service

Winner of J. W. Leonard, G. S. Ladd, L. C. R. Souza and M. J. Medina (skip) v. A. G. Gratton, J. H. Gelling, C. F. Needham and A. Brooksbank (skip) v. W. Melrose, R. Main, J. A. Watson and J. C. Chalmers (skip).

W. Harrop, A. McGrath, B. Foster and T. Pile (skip) v. W. Smith, H. Tillman, H. Dewar and J. Mackenzie (skip).

At Kowloon Football Club

A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar (skip) v. W. Walker, J. C. Gill, J. McKelvie and A. M. Holland (skip).

A. J. Kew, A. H. Castro, A. Madar and J. L. Stephens (skip) v. E. Zimmermann, W. K. Way, T. A. Madar and T. Lock (skip).

S. A. Gray, W. E. Curtis, A. W. Smith and E. C. Fincher (skip) v. J. Henson, P. Peckham, R. P. Phillips and A. Hyde-Lay (skip).

At Kowloon Cricket Club

W. Naef, A. Eastman, T. Ferguson and W. Simpson (skip) v. J. Luz, C. E. Marques, J. F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva (skip).

M. I. Razack, A. K. Suffiad, A. J. Coelho and A. H. Rumjahn (skip) v. G. Elphick, H. Becknell, H. Langley and L. Jordan (skip).

At Craigengower

P. D. Crawley, E. Kirmion, J. Hempsey and W. J. Burling (skip) v. M. A. Wahab, A. R. Kitchell, N. Spence, and J. Perelra (skip).

W. Gittins, H. Lin, W. Howard and A. Spary (skip) v. J. Hoosen, A. M. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas (skip).

At K.B.G.C.

L. J. Silva, F. V. V. Ribeiro, A. M. Rodrigues and H. A. Alves (skip) v. J. V. Ramsey, T. Coleman, M. Ferguson and R. Morrison (skip).

W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip) v. C. Woodcock, V. Attenza, C. Downman and Y. Chittenden (skip).

W. E. Webber, W. Higgs, S. H. Marvin and F. N. Hill (skip) v. E. Strange, S. Strange, C. Strange and H. Strange (skip).

At Kowloon Docks

M. Pinna, C. Xavier, B. Basto and A. P. Gutierrez (skip) v. H. Rose, G. E. Sherriff, J. Carr, and N. Bebbington (skip).

At Hong Kong Football Club

E. G. Post, W. Cameron, J. Oram and J. S. Fender (skip) v. R. Bass, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

Postponed from last Saturday, the Cottage Club ride to Lin Ma-hang will take place this afternoon at 5.30 p.m.

Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union will hold their first swimming gala of the season at Lanchow today, commencing at 7 p.m.

BOWLS FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION	
Rec. 'A' (62) v C.S.C.C. (52)	
I.R.C. (52) v C.C.C. (58)	
*K.B.G.C. 'B' (—) v K.C.C. (—)	
C.B.G.C. 'A' (61) v Police (54)	
K.D.R.C. (74) v Rec. 'B' (65)	
SECOND DIVISION	
K.C.C. (63) v Recreio (47)	
C.C.C. (60) v H.K.C.C. (64)	
K.F.C. (61) v K. Tong (58)	
Talkoo (—) v P.O.C. (—)	
THIRD DIVISION	
H.K.F.C. (48) v C.C.C. (58)	
*Police (—) v K.B.G.C. (—)	
H.K.C.C. (49) v K.F.C. (60)	
H.K.E.R.C. (64) v I.R.C. (59)	

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.

* Newcomers to this division.

BRITISH ATHLETIC MEETING

Famous athletes will appear in an Armed Forces versus Civil Defence athletic contest to be held at Epsom in July.

The Armed Forces will be particularly strong, having the services of Sydney Wooderson, holder of the world mile record, Lieut. Alan Pennington, British Olympic quarter miler, Sergeant-Instructor C. B. Holmes, international sprinter, and other leading athletes.—Reuter.

War-time racing in England has produced two outstanding features so far: the public has shown by its support that it wants racing, despite opposition views, and Gordon Richards is still supreme among jockeys.

Against right-hand pitching, New York Yankees employ Tommy Henrich and Bill Dickey, and Charley Kelley drops from third position to fifth.

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WATER-POLO RESULTS

In the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo League last night, Navy "A" beat Navy "B" by 6 goals to 1. Halfyard (2), Rutter (2), Paul and Carter scored for the "A" team and Hall for the losers.

In another match Y.M.C.A. trounced 985th Battery, R.A., by 7 goals to 2. Wilson registered a "hat trick" and the other goal-scorers were May, Roberts, Goldman and Benn. Langridge scored both goals for Gunners.

FIRST V.R.C. GALA

Victoria Recreation Club are holding the first of their Inter-Club swimming galas on Saturday, July 12, at 9 p.m., Lai Tsun Swimming Union being the honoured guests.

Following is the programme and the probable teams:—

Ladies' 150 Yards Medley Relay:—

V.R.C.:—Miss C. Guterres or Miss I. Lopes (back), Miss V. Churn (breast) and Miss J. Anderson (free-style).

Lai Tsun:—Miss Lily Sadick and Miss Tsang Fung-kwan (back), Miss Ko Mul-lin or Miss Chang Oi-lin (free-style) and Miss Lo Po-kam (breast).

Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke:—

V.R.C.:—Luis M. Remedios and J. Marques.

Lai Tsun:—To be chosen from:—

Fung Chung-yiu, Yau Sai-kwan, Tam Sik-chuen and Poon Wing-ting.

Men's 100 Yards free-style:—

V.R.C.:—W. Lawrence and C. Silva-Netto.

Lai Tsun:—Chan Chan-nam, Tsang Cheong-ming and Lau Tai-ping.

Boys' 75 Yards Medley:—

V.R.C.:—C. Huang and L. Roza-Pereira or C. Silva-Netto and W. Lawrence.

Lai Tsun:—Chan Chan-nam, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping.

Ladies' 50 Yards breast-stroke:—

V.R.C.:—Miss V. Churn and Miss M. Noronha or Miss Y. Yelle or D. Weir.

Lai Tsun:—Miss Ko Mul-lin, Miss Chang Oi-lin and Miss Lo Po-kam.

Men's 100 Yards back-stroke:—

V.R.C.:—A. K. Rumjahn and W. Lawrence.

Lai Tsun:—Lau Yiu-king and Poon Wing-ting.

Ladies' 100 Yards breast-stroke:—

V.R.C.:—Miss C. Guterres and Miss I. Lopes.

Lai Tsun:—Miss Lily Sadick and Miss Tsang Fung-kwan.

Diving Exhibition:—

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style:—

V.R.C.:—Miss V. Churn and Miss J. Anderson.

Lai Tsun:—Miss Lily Sadick, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Ko Mul-lin and Chang Oi-lin.

Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay:—

V.R.C.:—A. K. Rumjahn (back), L. M. Remedios (breast) and D. H. Taylor (free).

Lai Tsun:—Lau Tai-ping or Poon Wing-ting (back), Fong Chung-yiu or Tsang Chung-ming (breast), Kam Hok-ping or Tsang Cheong-wing (free).

Ladies' 200 Yards free-style:—

V.R.C.:—To be chosen from Miss V. Churn, Miss J. Anderson, Miss C. Guterres, Miss L. Weir and Miss I. Lopes.

Lai Tsun:—To be chosen from: Miss Lily Sadick, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Ko Mul-lin, Miss Chang Oi-lin and Miss Lo Po-kam.

Men's 880 Yards free-style:—

V.R.C.:—Charles Chang, W. Lawrence, C. Silva-Netto and L. Roza-Pereira.

Lai Tsun:—Chan Chan-nam, Yau Sai-kwan, Lau Tai-ping, Poon Wing-king and Tsang Cheong-wing.

ASHEVILLE'S TWO GAMES IN TWO DAYS

By "Grandstand"

SLATED FOR A DOUBLE-HEADER DURING THE WEEK-END, U.S.S. ASHEVILLE CLASH WITH CHUNG HWA MAROONS IN THIS AFTER-NOON'S BASEBALL LEAGUE NIGHT-CAP, AND AGAIN WITH THE U.S.S. MINDANAO TOMORROW AT 10 A.M. TO HIGHLIGHT THE REGULAR THREE-GAME CARD, WHILST THE HONG KONG BREWERY STREAM-LINED HORSE-HIDE ARTISTS GO INTO ACTION AGAINST CHUCK WAGGONER'S MARAUDING MOHAWKS IN TO-DAY'S CURTAIN-RAISER AT 2.15 P.M.

The Mighty "A" should emerge victors in their tilt with the Chung Hwa Hitless Wonders, starting with second-string hurler Lefty Crumm on the mound for this tussle, leaving the tougher assignment of facing the Mindanao mace-maulers in their all-Navy meet tomorrow to Charlie Sawyer, head of their pitching staff. Mentor Goff will probably take over the initial sack, fielding Haigh, Rhoades and DiGiacomo in the infield, whilst Crumm, Leis and "Porky" Brood will be the patrol-men.

Lead-off man for the Mighty "A", "Dusty" Rhoades, is giving Willie Wilson of Mindanao a good fight for the satchel-stealing title, his five for one game constituting an up-to-date record.

Full Of Confidence

All set to chalk up their third straight win, Lou "Bad News" Powlowski will lead his merry men into the fray full of confidence backed by the barking bats of his super-sluggers all the way down the line, whilst the Potent Polack himself can smoke that apple across the plate until the cows come home. Tony Mascavage will be receiving, whilst Henry Ruel, M. Wilson, Bowersox and "Greasy" Moore will form the inner quartette, with Willie Wilson, Arky Vaughan and Gronck as the gardening trio.

Grandpa Leung, Chuck Waggoner and Nip Lum are down to handle this crucial game.

Chan On Mound?

In an effort to stave off the inevitable, P. K. Lau will probably start former first-sacker "Morocco" Chan on the mound for Chung Hwa, leaving "Grandpa" Leung Foo-cho to take over custody of the initial sack. Despite the old-timer's countless diamond wars, his batting eye has not been dimmed, and he was instrumental in pushing the winning marker home, pinch-hitting, in their scuffle with South China last week.

Pete Choy, "Wee" Willie Woo and Buck Ho will form the rest of the infield, whilst the gardeners, who are down for a busy day, will be Richard Chung, Loney Loong and Ken Lo.

Officials for this game will be Chuck Waggoner behind the plate, Stan Leonard calling them at first and second, with Kassa Nazarin at third.

Out-Hit Both Games

Dave Leonard's Bombing Brewers have still been unable to strike their slugging stride, being out-hit in both of their games. Lead-off batter George Souza stepped into the batter's box seven times in a row without a hit, whilst Dave Leonard and brother Stan the Powerhouse can only boast one hit apiece in their six trips to the platter, although opposing hurlers are begin-

ning to respect the Big Bam's powerful bat after his smashing triple last week. Surprising enough, Tony "Peewee" Alves, batting in the third slot, and generally known as a weak hitter, leads the Beermen's batting figures, with three safeties in seven batting chances—believe it or not, all of them on bunts.

Peewee can dump one along the white lines, any day, and until the other side gets wise to him and play him close, Tony will get away with it.

Disciples of power baseball, who can ankle up to the plate and pound out those extra-base knocks, naturally scorn such lacy-pants stratagems, but, say what you may, Tony's little big hits pay dividends, for Tony scored a run every time he got on.

Consistent Hank Ali

In the outfield, the only one to have any consistency is Hank Ali, the ole Showboat himself, with a hit per game, whilst, on the other hand, Jindoo Hussain seems to have gone into a rut, with two strikeouts against him in three batting chances.

The line-up for this game will be the regular nine, Madeen "Slim" Arculli and Obeir Afcull forming the battery, Stan Leonard cavorting around the first turn, Tony Alves and George Souza forming the keystone combination, with Dave Leonard holding the hot corner. The picketmen will be Hank Ali, Jindoo Hussain and Baby Abbas.

With the loss of several players, mentor Chuck Waggoner will have to call on most of his reserves to complete the Mohawk line-up.

Bernie "Red" Johnson, who will probably toe the rubber for this tilt, flips a slow teaser, and his one achievement in a pre-season friendly was to handcuff the weak South China aggregation to only one hit in four frames, and unless Bernie delivers the goods in this scuffle, no amount of master-minding by Chuck Waggoner will stop the Brewers.

As usual, for these close affairs, Grandpa Leung will be calling them behind the batter, whilst McClanahan and Pete Choy will call them around the sacks.

Week-End Programme

Following is the Baseball League programme for the week-end:

TO-DAY

2.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Brewers v. Hong Kong Baseballers. (Grandpa Leung, McClanahan and P. P. Choy.)

4.30 p.m.—U.S.S. Asheville v. Chung Hwa. (Chuck Waggoner, Stan Leonard and Kassa Nazarin.)

TO-MORROW

10 a.m.—U.S.S. Mindanao v. U.S.S. Asheville. (Grandpa Leung, Chuck Waggoner and Nip Lum.)

HUSSAIN TO LEAVE SHORTLY FOR INDIA

K. Hussain, Hon. Secretary of Hockey Umpires' Association and who was responsible for the appointment of umpires for the Hockey Association Tournament matches last season, is leaving shortly for eight months holiday in India.

Hussain hopes to avail himself of every opportunity of witnessing matches there and if possible, to referee some of the games.

En route home he hopes to meet members of the Malayan Interport Hockey team which visited Hong Kong in 1934.

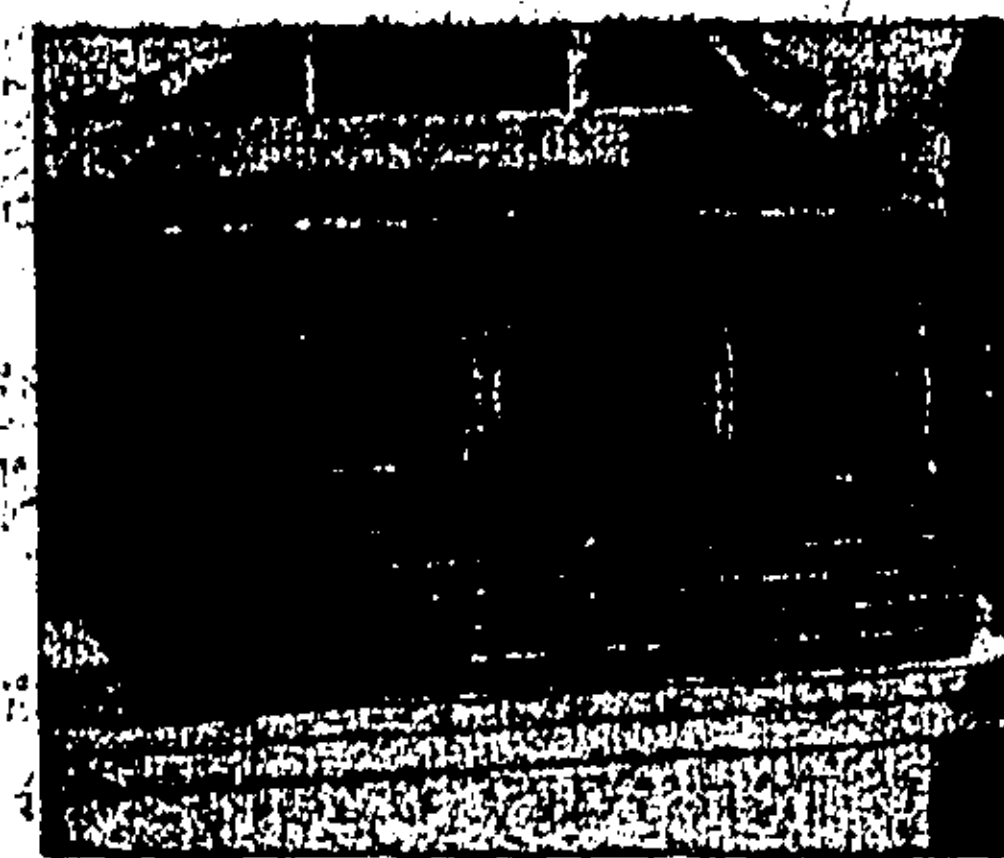
Art Reading, Southern California half-miler, has given up his last season of competition to enlist in the navy air corps.

Chicago Cub fans insist the National League pennant will fly from Wrigley Field this fall because the Bruins captured the title every third year since 1929. They last won in 1939, so this is the magic year.

A report from Leningrad states Leonid Maslany set up an All-Union swimming record in the 300 Metres when he covered the distance in 2 minutes 5.3 seconds, which is 1.6 seconds better than the official European record.

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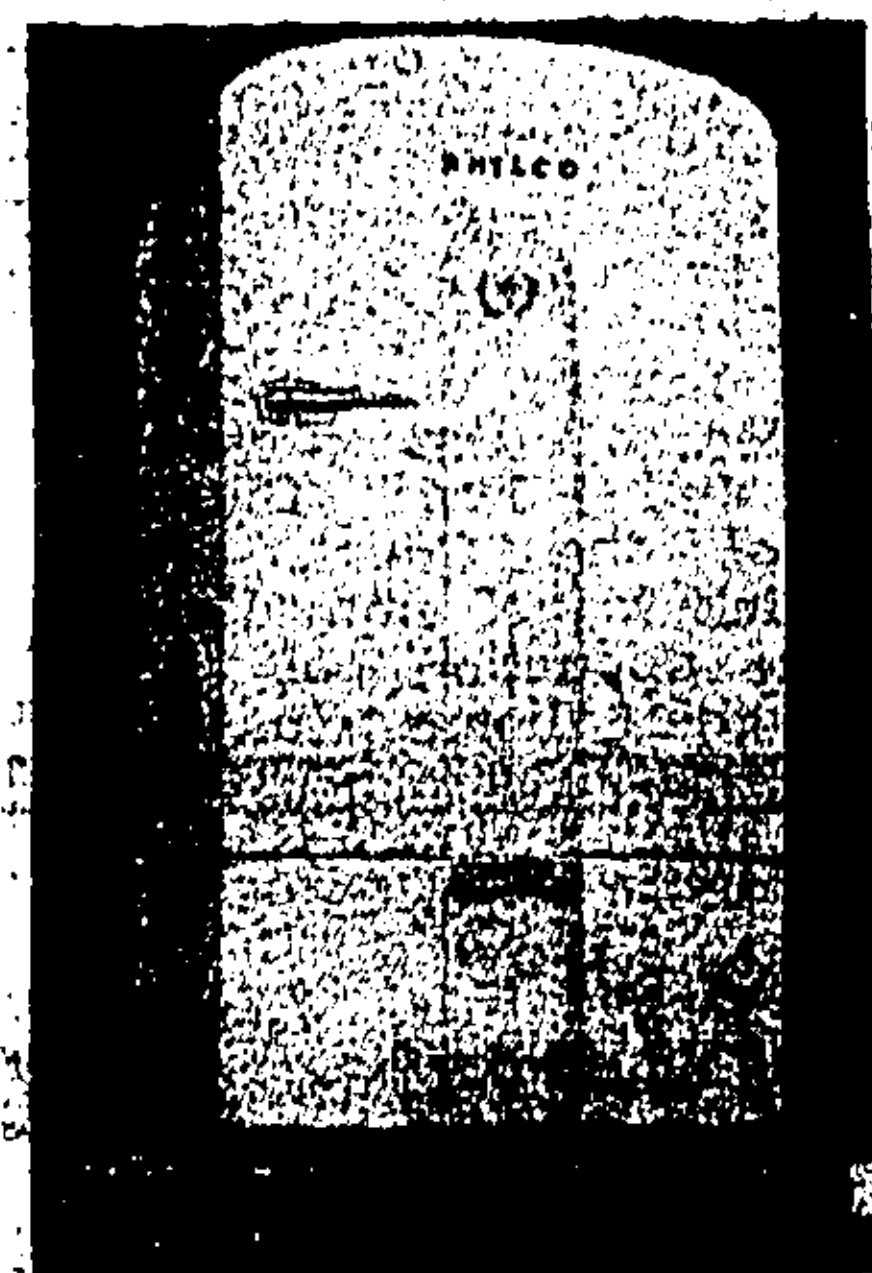
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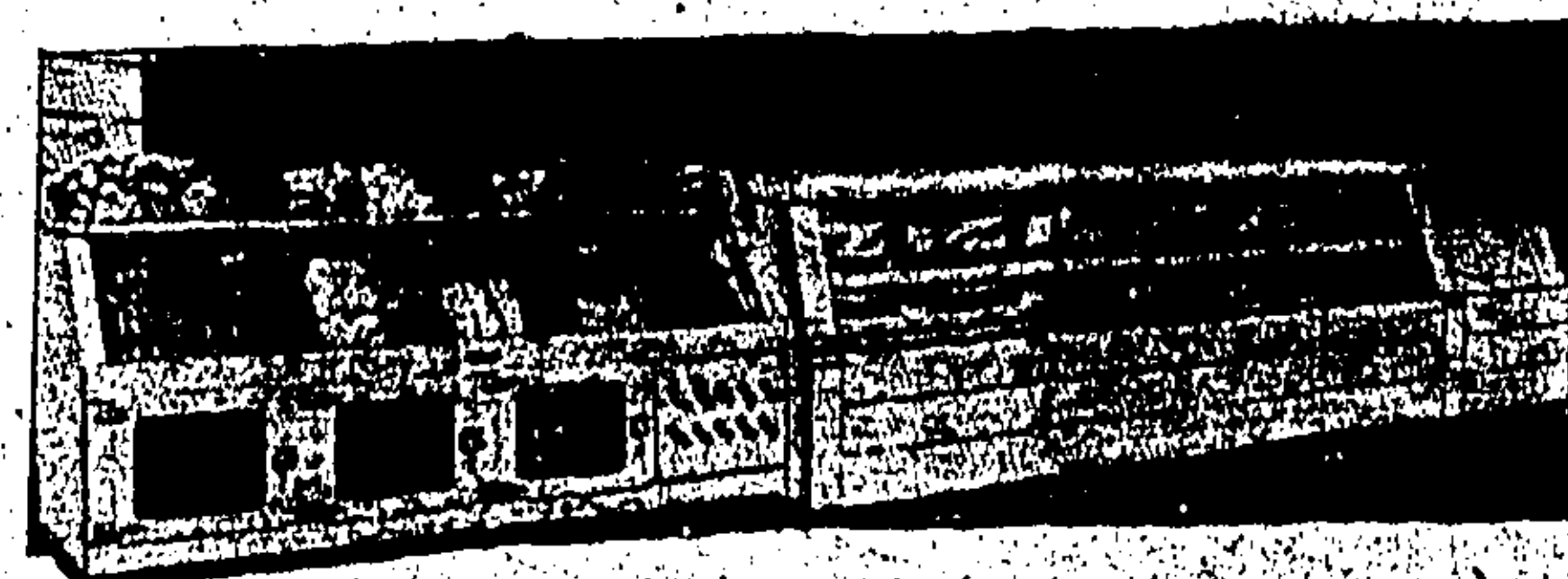
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ACTIVITY AT ST. STEPHEN'S

There is a good deal of sports activity at St. Stephen's College, Stanley, at the present time, with two of the Summer Term Tennis Tournament events already decided and one in the final stage, while the Annual Inter-Group Swimming competitions have just begun.

In the Mixed Doubles tennis, in which pupils are paired up with members of the teaching staff, Mr. N. C. Wong and Ma Chan-shong beat Mr. N. H. Wong and Boone Slong-foi in the final, the scores being 7-6, 6-1.

In the Open Doubles, in which any pair from the school is allowed to compete, Tan, King-ai, and Ko Wai-yeung have reached the final, where they will meet

Lai and Fung Sing-mo. A close game is expected.

The final of the Small Boys Singles (open to boys under 5 ft. and under 85 lb.) Tommy Woo beat Loke Ka-fong 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Swimming Sports

The Inter-Group swimming competitions, between Dragons, Tigers, Eagles and Bulls, have already commenced, two events having been decided so far.

In the diving event Dragons, represented by Woastang Yui, tied with Tigers. (Leong Ming-sen) for first place, each side scoring 2½ points with Eagles (Ma Chan-shong) third, with 1 point.

The 400 Metres free-style race, which was held in a sea that was described as "roughish," Tigers scored three points when their representative, Tan Uyoo-chai, and Chan Yen-shan, placed first and third respectively, with Dragons (Wong Yui) taking second place. Tigers climbed up three points against Dragons two in this event.

BRITISH SHIP LOSSES

May Sinking Figures At About The Same Level

PHILIPPINE PLEDGE OF SUPPORT

The whole-hearted support of the Philippines, should the United States enter the war, was pledged by President Manuel Quezon in a broadcast speech on the occasion of "Loyalty Day."

President Quezon said: "Should the United States decide to take part in the European War, every Filipino down to the last man can be expected to fight under the American flag."

—Reuter.

NANKING PRESSURE IN S'HAJ

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Nanking is again reported to be seeking to control the Chinese First Special District Court within the International Settlement, in view of the pressure applied on Judge Fong Ching-wei, head of the Court, who went on "sick leave" immediately after the abduction of his wife from their home in the

Danger Area Still North Atlantic

ALTHOUGH LAST MONTH'S SHIPPING LOSSES ARE VERY HEAVY AND SERIOUS, AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES IN LON. ON STATE IT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND THEY INCLUDE THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN WHICH, IT IS HOPED IN BRITAIN, WILL NOT RECUR.

A total of 98 British, Allied and neutral vessels, representing 461,328 tons, were lost during the month of May, including losses suffered in the eastern Mediterranean during military operations.

The figures include 75 British ships (355,000 tons), 20 Allied (92,000 tons) and five neutral (14,000 tons).

The Germans, it is stated, claimed to have sunk during May 805,460 tons of merchant shipping.

The Italians have been content with a claim of 56,000 tons, making the total enemy claim 861,460 tons.

French Concession last month. Informed Chinese see the judge in an embarrassing position, as he is not able to continue his judicial activities under the still Chungking-controlled Court after the act on by the Nanking people in abducting his wife and holding her as hostage to insure his going over to the Nanking side.

The intimidation marks one of the numerous pressures on Court officials. — International News Service.

ing the total enemy claim 861,460 tons.

It is estimated that the total enemy tonnage lost (captured, sunk or scuttled) up to June 10, is:

German 1,888,000 tons.
Italian 1,238,000 tons.
Useful to the enemy 84,000 tons.

This gives a total of 3,211,000 tons.

North Atlantic Danger Spot

As the statement on May 10 showed a loss of 2,912,000 tons, the enemy during the intervening period suffered a loss of 299,000 tons.

Many losses had not been received when Mr. Churchill made his statement in the Commons some days ago.

Nevertheless the statement in relation to the area in which Britain has had the most serious losses, namely, the North Atlantic, remains true.

It is stated that without doubt the Germans have changed their tactics and gone further afield and, as often happens when tactics are changed, they have met with some initial success and losses further south and further east have gone up.

Steps are being taken, the authoritative circles add, to deal with this, and these circles hope that the June figures will show an improvement all round.—Reuter.

Petrol Exports Control

President Roosevelt has subjected all petroleum products to export control; exports from the Eastern seaboard may only be made to the British Empire, Egypt and the western hemisphere.

The disclosure that the President had directed the Export Control Administration to place restrictions on oil products, was made from the White House.

A plan will be prepared for the most effective use of tanker facilities in supplying petroleum to the Eastern seaboard and to other American Republics.

President Roosevelt has acted apparently owing to the threatened shortage of oil and petroleum on the Eastern seaboard on account of lack of transportation resulting from the transfer of tankers to Britain.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

A dozen U.S. Navy craft are searching for the missing submarine, named Zéro—but the chances of saving the crew are "slim" as it is believed to have crashed to the bottom of the sea during a dive.

It was one of the best submarines in the United States Navy and was recently re-commissioned for defence work.—Reuter.

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent With British Advanced Forces in the Western Desert)

The German forces that were rushed from Tobruk to stem General Wavell's latest attack in the Western Desert are still concentrated in the Sollum area, on the Egypt-Libyan frontier.

Up to the present they have shown no signs of moving back to Tobruk. There is no doubt the attack had the effect of relieving German pressure on Tobruk, probably forestalling a new attempt to storm it.

British and Indian troops, after taking some 560 prisoners, of whom 210 are Germans, and probing deep into the Axis lines, are now re-established in the positions they had been holding for the past three months.

The operations have been brought almost to a standstill by violent dust storms which reduced even air activity to a minimum. The extent to which the Germans were surprised by the British attack is indicated by the fact that one of the prisoners is a German mess cook who was being taken for a "joy ride" by his friends in a tank. To his horror the tank suddenly had to go into action! —Reuter

A British seaplane crashed yesterday on the beach at Neiva, 40 miles north of Oporto (Portugal). The machine was burnt out but the crew of six Canadians escaped. Two other seaplanes, which were accompanying the wrecked machine, proceeded on their course.—Reuter.

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